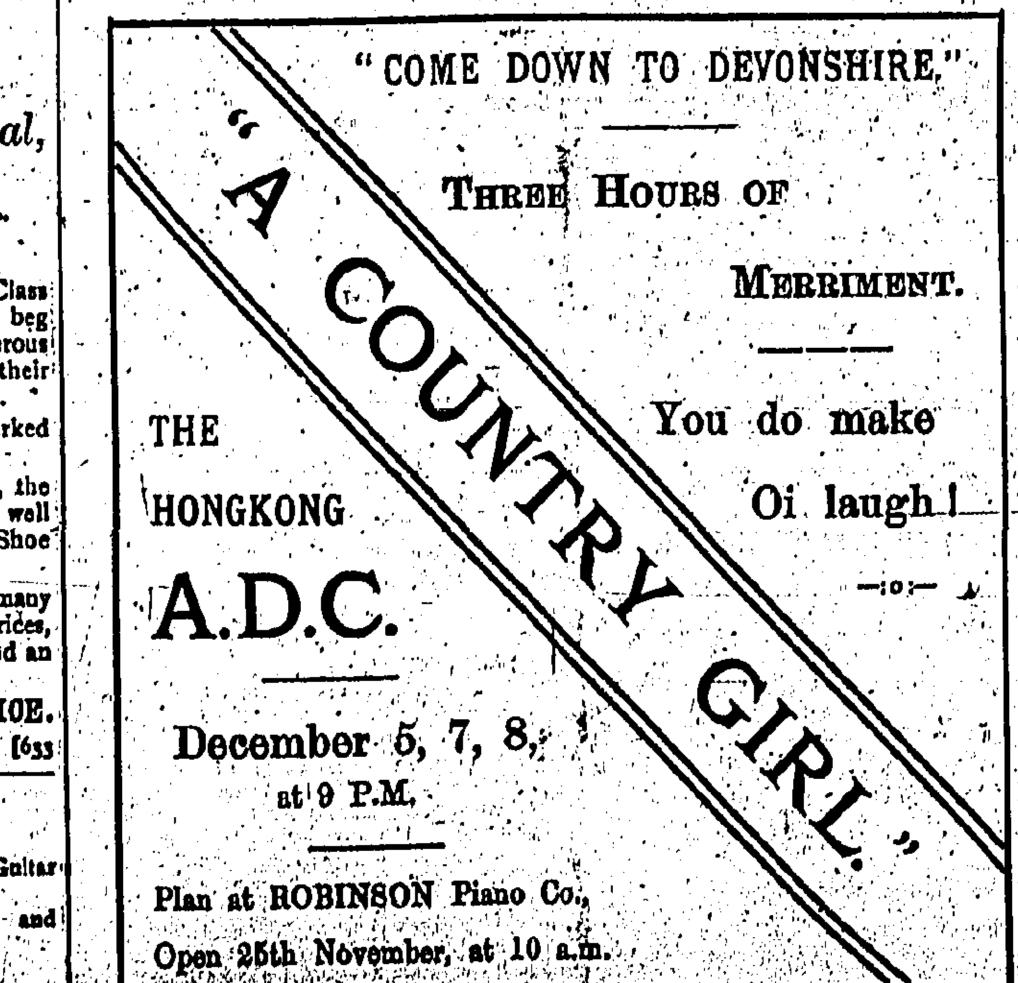
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inst.:--

Goneral dulness has prevailed, and the week has been upproductive of any special feature. Banks.-Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have hardened still further, and, sales have

taken place at \$845 and \$850 closing steady at the latter rate. The London quotation has receded to £82. Marine Insurances. - Cantons have improved to \$195 at which rate sales have been effected Unions after sales at \$810 have advanced to

\$815, closing firm and with an upward tendency. North Chinas are quoted at Tls. 100. Yangteres are unchanged at \$167%. Fire Insurances.—China Fires have changed hands at \$102, and close with buyers at \$103

Hongkong Eires are obtainable at \$330. Shipping.-With the exception of Hong kong. Canton and Macno Steamboats, which have been sold at \$192, all stocks under this heading are unchanged, and we have heard of no business.

Refineries.—China Sugars have found buyers at Stral, and are in further demand. Luzons continue on offer at \$20. Perak Sugars have declined to Tis. 871.

Mining.-Raubs have been sold at rates un to'\$8. Chinese Engineerings have strengthen-

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.-Hongkong and Kowloon Whatis have weakened to \$44, at which rate they are offering. Hongkong and Whampon Docks are easier and have sellers at \$91. Shanghai Docks have shown a sharp recovery, and jumped to Tls. 79, closing strong and in demand. Hongkew Wharfs have inquiries at Tls. 1423.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.-Humphreys' Estates are wanted at \$91. Hongkong Hotels can be placed at \$80. Kowloon Lands have buyers at \$30. West Points are quoted at \$46. Shanghai Lands have not changed, and are quoted at Tls. 116]. 🤼

Cotton Mills.- Ewos have improved and are wanted at Tis, 634. Hongkong Cottons have weakened to \$10, and sellers prevail.

Miscellaneous, - China Providents are strong request, and have buyers at \$9\$. Dairy Farms have changed hands at \$221. Electrics are inquired for at \$18, and Watsons at \$9, while Ices have sellers at \$230, and Green Island Cements at \$10. Langkats have reacted to a certain extent, and at the close, sellers prevail at 11s. 88o. Sumatras have also depreciated to Tls. 1174, but there are buyers at this rate.

Exchange: The Banks selling rate on-London is 1/8 on demand. The T/T rate on Shanghai is 751.

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THE CHEKIANG RAILWAY.

On the 28th day of the 9th moon (October 22) the Waiwupu received from Sir J. N. Jordon-a, dispatch in which the British Minister states that he has received a letter from the representative of the British and Chinese Corporation complaining of the infringement of some of the conditions of the Chekiang Railway Loan Agreement on the part of the Chekiang Railway Company. The British Minister says that although a British Engineerin Chief has been selected and appointed by the Ministry of Posts and Communications, the appointment has not been officially approved by the Railway Company. Sir J. N. Jordan adds that some of the sections of the Railway are being badly constructed, and that the materials and goods used are not of good and satisfactory quality. He states that although the British Engineer-in-Chief arrived in Shanghal more than two months ago, he has not since been asked to discharge his duties; and that, unless drastic measures are immediately taken to ameliorate this unsatisfactory state of affairs, it is feared that not only the interests of the Chinese Government and the Railway Company, but also those of the subscribers to the Loan will be injured. The British Minister, adds that he is at a loss to know why the Central Government should allow the Railway Company to treat the Agreement with such levity. In conclusion he requests the Chinese Government to instruct the Railway Company to act in strict accordance with the settlement of the Loan Agreement,-N. G. D. News.

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He forecasted that the population of Java. which stood at 14 millions in 1865, would exceed 28 millions in 1900. The actual counting shows him to be surprisingly in the right. ' On December 31, 1900, the census returns showed the population to be 28,386,121. During the twenty years since 1880, the population of the island had increased 45.3 per cent. Facts having proved Dr. Bleeker's theory, the population of Java in 1935 will stand at about 56 millional At present, the pressure of population is so great as to argue anxiety. What will it be

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CHINESE CURRENCY.

From the Minutes of the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce it will be seen that the indiscriminate jesue of bank notes by Chinese Banks has again pecupied the attention of the Committee. The matter indeed, is considered of such vital im portance that representations are to be made directly to Peking in the hope that the Central Government may be induced to adopt restrictive measures before the evil affects seriously the credit of China, and these representations, it is understood, will be backed by the efforts of the China Association, in another quarter. Five months ago we drew attention to the number of native Bank notes cir. culating it the Settlement and pointed ou that, as far as could be learned, they were issued for the most part without a cash reserve. To-day there are no less than seven banks with a note circulation amounting in all, it is understood, to \$14,000,000, while two other banking institutions have been established and are said to be contemplating an issue of notes. In some cases the note issue of a bank is either equivalent to or greater than the amount of the paidup capital; in others a bank started by an official loan, which has been subsequently with drawn, will have notes in circulation amounting to over \$1,000,000, with no reserve, though the issue is said to be guaranteed by the Provincal Government. In addition to these Binks various Provinces have issued notes with no special reserve against them and without fixing the floal limits of the issue. This practice has been "discountenanced by the Peking, Government, bit no definite steps have been taken to stop it, and the system is said to be spreading. For the present this paper money circulates with few or no restrictions in Chinese hands, although all attempts to persuade foreign banks to recognize it have hitherto failed. But it is clear that ultimately depreciation will result, with consequent loss to holders; and even if popular, dissatisfaction does not lead to disturbances, a dislocation of trade and the possible lowering, of China's credit are likely to result.

ment has given its attention to the question of currency, and as a result of a memorial from the Government Council a. Decree was issued on October 5 on the subject of a uniform national currency. From these documents, it will he seen that the Kuping tael has been chosen as the standard coin, and it is understood that silver amounting to over one million theis in weight has already been sent by the Ministry of Finance to the Treutsia mint for the purpose of coining the new currency. The reasons which have induced the authorities to select the Kuging that in preference to the dollar are not without interest. We are told in the first place that eleven provinces advocated the tiel, while eight were in favour of the dollars. So far there, would seem to have been a fairly equal division of opinion. From "the point of national dignity," however, it scomed to the Government Council that the country." ought to try to stand alone " and that it could not afford "to throw away our sovereign rights in order to gratify the wishes of others;" while, continues the Memorial," from the point of view of the people we should follow a course suitable to the greater number and not change a tradition of the country for the convenience of the open ports or trading marts." Starting from these premises it is not -a-matter-for-surprise that the Government Council was able to make light of all arguments that ran counter to its predilections. The existence of an enormous supply of dollars already in circulation, the objection that the higher denomination will tend to raise, the cost of living, the difficulty of reckoning exchange with 1,549 cash to the tael-all such points are brushed aside, and the fiat has gone forth that

the country is to have a tasl coinage.

The present state of Chinese finance, how

As is already known, the Chinese Govern-

ever, provides a strong argument against the Government committing itself to any definite course until it has taken expert foreign advice upon the currency question. In spite of the sound financial reputation that the country has enjoyed in the past, it has recently adopted a most reckless attitude towards the currency, especially lowards the money of the millions, the standard in which wages and all small retail transactions are settled. It is calculated that his 1905 and 1905 over nine and a half thousand million ten-cash pieces were struck by the various mints, while copper cash notes to an equal amount were issued during the same period. The only excuse offered for this indiscriminate minting out of all proportion to the economic requirements of the country is that it was a temporary expedient to tide over a period of stringency, for the copper cash XMAS could be minted for three-fifths of its face value Now that with the fall in exchange the profit on the coinage of copper cash has disappeared, the same disregard for the economic welfare of the people finds expression in the issue of unsecured bank notes, and on the top of the present currency confusion the Government proposes to force into circulation a new coinage that must inevitably place fresh obstacles in the way of trade. It is to be hoped, therefore, that while representations on the irresponsible issue of bank notes are being made, the Peking Government-will be urged to reconsider its decision regarding the tael currency. In spite of the confident opinion of the Government Council the drawbacks already enumerated to the introduction of the teel as the standard coin are serious, and if minting has already been begun, it should be Now for Sale at discontinued until fresh advice on the subject has been taken. Above all the further issue of bank notes should be immediately prohibited notil regulations controlling the terms of issue have been published, while no further subsidiary silver coins or copper cash should be struck until they circulate at par (the par rate for cash being definitely fixed). The appoint ment of a Board of Currency with central control of all mints is also required, and up steps calculated to complicate an already confused

situation should be taken until a complete

figurelal policy has been agreed upon by the Government under expert advice,-N. C. D.

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and Mrs. J. JESSEN, a daughter. On November 30, 1903, at Shanghai, to Mr and Mrs. C. D. PEARSON, a daughter.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1908

GOVERNMENT RETRENCHMENT COMMITTER APPOINTED.

Although it is barely three months since submitted to the Legislative Council and passed, the Government has aiready found it it should be the humble pen wiper, who industrious and, in their own fashion, enter. by the hundred and the thousand were imnecessary to curtail still further all items of does not dare to open his mouth in case the prising and this entire change has been ported to open up the mines, to work in the for the welfare of the Colony. To-day's dination be dragged out for his special ford Raffles. How did the British pioneers tapioca. The Chinese were paid reasonable issue of the Gazelle surnishes abundant benefit. With one exception, the Retrench- break the Malays into the yoke, without wages. They lived like fighting cocks, from revenue, when the outlook is promising, and it is rumoured, Mr. Murray Stewart. In presently. It is openly admitted now that to gamble with, and they took trips to China clous few of them) should do so at onca. there are no shadows to darken the financial view of the explicit directions of the Governor the Filipino. is a shiftless, weary, forlorn and had great times when the spirit moved situation in the future, a certain laxity in that the Committee must spare nobody, it is a creature, who cannot be got to work at them. Some of them prospered and launched by far the largest artificial lake in the world providing for the wants of the Gov- certainty that the official element will proceed any price. Most Americans who come to out on their own account, became towkays At present an Indian reservoir, which is filled ernment Department is excusable. But to the attack with the gusto of famished Hongkong from the Philippines deny, and respected members of society. The only once in twenty years or so, is the largest, with rumours of impending trouble, and the departmental offices. Mr. Murray Stewart, less, and we are supported in that attitude could: be gained by imitating the comes the Assuan reservoir, on the Nile, which, revenue appears to be decreasing without if our supposition is correct that he has been by the well-informed Cablenews, which is Chinese miraculously did what no correct full and adequate reason to explain away the requested to associate himself with the work not likely to condemn or chastise the natives system could have done; it induced the cause, it is highly essential that retrench- of spoiling the Egyptians, will unquestionment should be effected in the most trivial. ably go to his task with a fair, open and concerns, even although, in some cases, the [unbiassed mind, and his presence may cutting down of expenses may lead to a cer- even afford a gleam of hope in the eyes of tain amount of impatience on the part of the those who already see their cherished views heads of Departments. It is only to be ex- as to what a Government Department should who toil in the ship-repairing yards, the against Chinese labour. They have excluded pected that those in charge of the various be ruthlessly destroyed. That the Combureaux under the Government should cavil mittee has not been appointed too soon at the elimination of small items, which from is a evidenced by the fact that in the and he will rhapsodise over the wonderful flow from labour. When the Government time immemorial have been allowed them comparative statement of the revenue strides made by the Insular Government relaxes the restrictions and admits the Chinby the Legislative Council and it may be and expenditure for the period ended 30th in the way of public improvements, and that the old cry of compulsory inefficiency | September, 1908, we find that there has been the faculty they have, attained of at. of what patience and industry can achieve, will be raised, but efficiency is quite as con- a total decrease as compared with the cor- tracting native labour. But Manila is not then, perhaps, the problem of work as the sistent with economy as it is with wanton responding period in 1907 of \$427,94\$, the Philippine Islands nor is the erection of real panaces of the Philippines may be Hongkong and Shangitai extravagance, and the Government De- which is exclusive of land sales and these public buildings any criterion of progress in solved, partments will have to learn that sour also show a decrease amounting to \$60,488, the provinces. The American administrators lesson before many weeks have pass. These figures speak for themselves, and there have given the Filipinos liberty, freedom of ed. By order of His Excellency the the question of retrenchment may be left for speech, a free press, good government and College will take place on Monday, the 31st inst., Governor, a Retreachment Committee, I the present.

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can at least be temporarily omitted, and to

scrape the bones of even necessary depart

mental needs, has been appointed and will,

we understand, commence a thorough in-

vestigation of the Government offices from

top to bottom. There is to be no mercy

shown by this official Committee in simply

whittling down a few dollars here and a few

dollars there, after the old-time custom-

It intends to conduct a wholesale

sweep of the most infinitesimal out-

goings and to scrutinise to the very

marrow the reasons which may be ad-

duced in favour of the retention of lump

sums, covering untold objects that can be

done without. Obviously, there must be

many details of expenditure which are by no

means actually required in the proper work-

ing of the departmental machine, and it is

office-holders will have to be wholly disre-

of the Civil Service are, would willingly un-

dertake. The outcome may mean the un-

vague suspicions that certain departments

are not afforded that consideration conson-

"ant with their dignity and traditions, but if

of realising its aim; then the members will

to harbour but a single thought in their

minds, and that the public weal? What we

anticipate as a direct outcome of this un-

wonted, although extremely necessary zeal

for economy is the entire reorganisation of

the several Government Departments. We

do not for a moment suggest or advocate

the dismissal of clerks who have given their

lives to the Government service because such

a sten would be merely criminal, but it

would increase-the distress which exists in

the Colony and penalise those who through

where duties are multiplied ad infinitum;

simply because the dignity and self-import-

ance of one official will not permit of

partment after another until at last it

THE SOLUTION OF THE PILIPINO PROBLEM. When we consider the high aspirations which animated the Americans when they took possession of the Philippine Islands the ideals which they held on the subject o colonial administration, the marvellous reforms introduced long before the natives were prepared for violent changes, it is with a feeling akin to amazement that we read in the Manila papers the ill-effects, which progressive and enlightened Government has had on the natives. With all the will in the world to "boost" up the claims of the Philippines to general recognition crowning defect remains that the natives refuse to, be disturbed from the sloth and laziness which are ingrained in their nature. According to the Filipino doctrine, which was not disputed by the Spaniards, or, at all events, was shown in the Spanish confempt for the toiler, it is only the slave and the serf, the bondsman and the renegade who just possible that money is diverted into should toll and moil for a hand to mouth side channels other than those contemplated living. The freeman, the man with a patch when the Estimates are in course of pre- of land sufficient to bear a few banana trees, paration. It will be for the Retrench- perhaps a cocoanut or two, and enough ment Committee to keep a strict watch herbs to provide for the daily decoction of for such diversions of the public expen- vino, is above the drudgery of labour. It is diture and to be adamant when such an excellent doctrine for those born in the a vague item as "sundries" is mooted. purple, but as far as the commoner is con-The personal tastes and predifictions of cerned it has its drawbacks. Now that there is a stable Government established in the garded, otherwise the result of the inquiry | Philippines various outlays have to be met will be comparatively fruitless. It is not a by the squatters, such as taxes for road comsavoury duty which has been imposed on the munications and the maintenance of divi-Retrenchment. Committee, nor is it one administration. In consequence, the Filiwhich anybody so closely bound together pino, accustomed to his perennial siesta, by mutual ties, interests, hopes and aspira- has either to be up and doing or find other tions as the members of the higher branches methods of meeting the demands of the interloper. The alternative is the easiest way out of the difficulty and when it happens dermining of friendships and the creation of that the date for the tax-gatherer to appear comes round, there are many and sundry disappearances from the stock of wealthier or more fortunate neighbours. This does not the Committee is to do anything in the shapemerely apply to the payment of taxes, as a little incident which occurred lately, and endeavour, as far as it is humanly possible, is reported in the Cablenews will show "Four Filipinos, a woman and a child were boloed and then burned up in the store of Mr. Guy Stratton, which is situated on the coast of l'alawan several miles south of Puerto Princesa Agustin Suarez was in charge of Mr. Stratton's trading store at the point mentioned. The Moro datto of the region was indebted to Suarez for a large indignant when requested to settle up. the night of October 14 raided the store, satisfy the whims and fancies of their im-Mauricio Fabian, assistant to Suarez, and mediate superiors. But are there not cases his communicating in person with a sub- debts and if the more civilised natives do not ordinate. What about all those needless | venture that length it is only because they have "chits" which fly around, visiting one I'e- proved other methods to be equally effective and much less hazardous. The real quesreaches the individual-for-whom it was tion, it will be seen is how to lead the originally intended? Only to be answered Filipino to a proper realisation of the dignity by another "chit" which' performs the of labour. Is the problem insoluble; is it not be inadvisable for the Committee Malay States. There, from the sultans down. The Filipino." The Cablenews has hit the junior servants, of the Government in fact it was a degrading spectacle to witness a to China. There is the country where be, effected. It would never do for the actions, voluntarily assisting his semale de- harren hills are converted into smiling in the near suture. subordinates to sign their names to such pendants in the fields and no man with a pases. Now we come to the point without reason. American visitors point Malays to recognise that labour, and hard with no little pride to the numbers of labour at that, had its compensations, and Filipinos who are engaged-in-Manila at the average Malay to-day- is a worker and ordinary labouring work; they speak of not a dreamer. The American Government native-built bridges, and of the Filipinos have erected an insurmountable barrier factories and so forth. Take any American | the very people who would have opened the who has spent his life in and around Manila eyes of the Filipinos to the benefits which

fitting. They have provided the natives with an Assembly of their own-to which some of the greatest rascals were elected and would have lived at the public expense f the Government had not interfered—and they have done everything to make life easy for the lotus-cater. But towhat avail?" The native press turns upon its benefactors and calls them everything but blessed. The common crowd indulges in vainglorious spoutings and wild imaginings which a dozen years ago would have been characterised as rank rebellion. They gather together in their hovels and preach sedition, for there is nobody to compare with the chronic loafer as a frothy propagandist and a downright call-to-arms agitator. All this to escape the burden of toil They would rather beg their way from pilla to post than earn an honest, decent livelihood. And their scora of a Government which refuses to maintain in affluence these need windbags is superb. Listen for a moment to the inimitable sarcasm of El_Renucimiento: "There was a time when we believed that we were being guided to glory by this great people. With the change of situation every thing appeared to indicate that here famine, calamity, despotism, covetousness on the part of parsimonious government officials and absolutism would be unknown. It looked as though there would be nothing but prosperity and liberty—enlightened with justice. We laughed in our glee and dream- the Government Gazetta Lists of letters, &c ed of the good fortune that was to be ours. remaining in poste restante will be circulated But now, after the passing of time that has lest behind it unhappy memories, doubt has invaded the soul of the Filipino." Doubt ma to what? the reader will ask. Doubt as Whether they are likely to be kept as fatted calves for the rest of their natural lives is the answer, we suggest. The Assem bly has been converted into a receptacle, we are told, for beggars' petitions, the suspension of taxes, appeals against this, that and the next thing and all the/rest of the usual rigmarole. El Renacimiento Ladly absolves the Government from the enfire blame of the fiasco which is the usual ending of Assembly meetings and actually hints that if the Government is incapable of attending to the needs of the people, then the people will have to cure their miseries and calamities by their own individual and odllective efforts, otherwise they will perish. That is the climax. If the Government won't help them they will have to work. Such an alternative must strike awe and horror into the stoutest quantity of merchandise and became highly Filipino heart. The leaders of the people ago. will grovel in their dismay, for there is nothswore vengeance and gathering his clan on ling like work to distract a man's attention from the declamatory effervescence of disno fault of their own have been engaged to killing / gustin Suarez, his wife and child, appointed demagogues. It is the deathknell of incendiary orations and the ring of two other Filipinos. After looting the place evil-minded place-hunters knows it. Editori- lency the Governor for Sir Frederick Lugard's of everything of value the house and bodies. ally, the Cablenews, dealing with this subof the victims were burned." That is how ject, remarks: "What astonishes most the the wild tribes in the archipelago pay their stranger who comes to the Philippines are the thousands and tens of thousands of loafand in almost every window are able-bodied men who apparently have nothing to do -When-the-members-of-the-committee-oncholera investigation of Merchants" Association went into the filthiest parts of Manila identical circumlocutory journey, at the end beyond the power of the American Govern- they were struck by these sights." And of which it is discovered that the answer ment to induce the new subjects of the again: "Go into the provinces and these conveys nothing. If the labours of the United States to understand the advantages I scenes are accentuated a thousand per cent. Retrenchment Committee lead to the 're- they would personally derive from the deve- Rverywhere there are men lolling in their organisation of staff duties so much desired lopment of the agricultural and mineral re- shacks. The visitor, especially who comes will at once attain two objects—that of sources of the Islands? A somewhat simi- by way of China and who has seen there mid-day service. Murning Prayer and Sermon excising wasteful expenditure, and that of lar problem faced the British when they took the patient and toiling millions cannot help at it a m.-attended (weather permitting) by introducing long-needed reforms. It might under their protecting wing the Federated but draw the contrast, to the prejudice of the Church Parade party of "H" Company

> THE appual price distribution at St. Joseph's the promise of autonomy when the time is at 4 p.m. Il. E. The Governor will preside

ese agricultural labourer to offer an example

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

SINGAPORE has been proclaimed an infected

THE sale of ferns and other plauts to the public from the Botanic Gardens will be discontinued after the end of this year.

IT is reported that there is floating ice, in the River Lino at Newchwang and the port will be closed to shipping this week.

THE King's exequatur empowering Mr. P. H. Tiedemann to be consul for Russia at Hongkong has received His Majesty's signature.

THE Jiji learns from Chemulpo that a Chinese vessel conveying many riflus for the rioters of Korea has been spixed. 'The Japanese Consul has approached the Chinese Consul on the

THE conditions of sale for any lot of Crown land to be sold by nuction will not in future be published in the Gavernment Gazetts. Copies of such conditions can be obtained on application at the P. W. D.

THE new bridge of briats, 3,400 feet long, over the Indus a Dera Ghazi Khan, was completed on the 31st October and was opened for traffic by Bhai Guidit Singh, superintendent in charge of the bridge, on the 1st ultimo.

Ir is notified that the poste restante and dead letter-notices will not in future be published in as heretofore and be placed at the Post Office and branch offices.

THE Maski reports that China-has consented to the Inpanese request that stricter measures bataken to prohibit the Japanese boycott in South China. It is said that telegraphic instructions have been sent from Peking to the Viceroy at Canton, ordering him to dissolve the Self-Government Society.

IT is notified in the Gazette, that in order to reduce the bulk of the Gazetts and for purposes of economy departmental reports will not in future be published in the Government Gazette. Copies of such reports and of the complete annual volumes of sessional papers can be purchased from the Government printers.

A COOLIE accidentally met his death this morning in Leighton Hill Road. Theunfortunate man was engaged in the demolition of veraddah near No. 1 Police Station, when an iron rod fell on his head and tossed him into the road. Death was instantaneous. The deceased, whose name is unknown, was thirty years of

MR. Von Wiser, Consul-General for Austria-Hungary in Hongkong, has received a telegram from the Foreign Office in Vienna, in which the Consul is commanded to convey the | nia and Herzegovina as a grave mistake. thanks of the Austrian Emperor to His Excelkind congratulations on the occasion of the sixtieth anniversary of his reign.

THE death occurred at H. M. Consular Gaol, Shanghai, on Saturday morning, of Mr. Thomas ers. In every tiends, every billiard room, Brotherstone, who arrived in Shanghai from Nagasaki on the 10th ultimo and was remove to the British Consul Gaol on account of the strange manner in which he had recently been acting. The deceased had been under medical supervision during the past week, but owing to the fact that he died in the gaol an inquest is necessary and was to be opened on est inst.

AT St. Andrew's Church, Kowloge, to-morrow, (Second Sunday in Advent), the Holy Communion will be administered at the close of the 2nd Batt," "The Buffs"). Sunday School at to invite anonymous suggestions from the wards, the meaning of work was unknown; in nail on the head when it calls attention 3 p.m.; Evening Prayer and Sermon at 6 p m. The Offertories will be in aid of the Church Maintenance Fund, which is in debt to the dicating in what direction economies might man, presumably sane and responsible for his work is not considered derogatory, where Treasurer, and has, some heavy claims to meet

the Estimates of the Colony's revenue and messages, for reasons which need not be kriss or a spear allowed the idea to cross his why Great Britain so successfully managed THE third performance of A Country Girl last has been concluded. expenditure during the current year were stated. But if anybody should know where mind. Yet to-day the Malays are workers to bring the Malays to understand that they night at the Theatre Royal by the Amateur unnecessary expenditure is being incurred in the best sense of the word. They are had everything to gain by labour. Chinese Dramatic Club was bonoured by the presence of H.E. the Governor. The piece went with a delightful swing and the same high standard of excellence as on the two previous nights. expenditure which are not absolutely requisite inexorable law of contumacy and insubor- brought about since the days of Sir Stam- engineering yards, to plant paddy and Mr. W. C. Worcestor as "Barry" is still screamingly funny in his somewhat difficult tole and the other amateurs are sustaining their evidence of this retrenchment. In ordinary ment Committee will, we understand, be harming their high spirit or coercing them the Maley point of view. They gambled paris admirably. Those who have not seen times, when there is a steady or rising composed of officials, the non-officials, being, in any way? Well, we will come to that when they wished, and they had the money A Country Girl (and we fancy there are pre-

THE Roosevelt dam, when completed, will be present, when the air is thick wolves, and leave many agap in the hide of the the fact, but we maintain it is true neverthen force of example and the evidence of what with a capacity of 950,000 acre-feet. Then as now constructed, holds: 900,000 acre-feet When completed, the Roosevelt dam, now be-Service, on Salt River, in Arizona, will impound 1,300 000 acre-feet of water, and thus will hold the record of being the largest artificial reservoir in the world until the competition of the Engle dam.

> RETURNS of the average amount of banknotes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 10:1 November, 1908, as certified by the managers of the respective Banks :--

> Average Specie i Banks. Amount, Reserve, Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, \$3,032,097 \$2,700,000

Banking Corpora-National Bank of Chins.

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

UNIVERSITIES IN CHINA. PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT BY

ENGLAND AND FRANCE. [By courtesy of the "Sheung Fo."]

Peking, 4th December. England and France propose to establish universities at Tientsin and Shanghai.

THE BOXER INDEMNITY.

REMISSION BY THE CON-TINENTAL POWERS.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 4th December. The German, French and Italian Ministers in Peking have informed the Waiwupu that their respective Governments contemplate a remission of the Boxer indemnity in token. of their sympathy with China in her present bereavement.

THE DOWAGER-EMPRESS' ESTATE.

HBR LATE MAJESTY'S PERSONAL EFFECTS!

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po,"]

Peking, 4th December.

The Court garments of her late Majesty the Downger-Empress will be preserved; but all jewellery and money will be appropriated towards the fund for the reorganisation of

> [Reuter's.] Germany. "

LONDON, 3rd December. The Liberals and Radicals have started a great constitutional debate in the Reichstag on Ministerial responsibility in connection with the Kaiser's interviews and speeches,

The debate in the Italian-Ghamber was notable for a speech by the ex-Minister Signor Sonnino condemning Signor-Tittoni's attitude in regard to the annexation of Bos-

China and the Japan-American Agreement.

The Times correspondent in Peking wires that, before signing the Japan-American Agreement, it was communicated to the Waiwupu with a hope that China would recognise the United States traditional friend-

China fully approved of the 3 greement.

The United States and China. President Roosevelt has received Mr. Tang. Shao Yi and suite at the Whitehouse.

The Envoy presented a letter of thanks to the United States for cancelling a portion of the Boxer indemnity.

The Envoy also gave a most courteous speech, to which President Roosevelt replied in suitable terms, condoling with China on the deaths of the late Emperor and Empress.

The Near East. The Pester Lloyd states that twenty batta-

lions have been ordered to Bosnia. A Turco-Montenegrin Agreement founding off the frontier, to avoid future quarrels,

TYPHUON WARNING.

The following telegram quoted below was received at the American Consulate General from the Manila Observatory at 10.30 a.m. Hongkong, December 5th, 1908.

Cyclone or typhoon, East of the Visayas noving W.N.W. THE Japan Chronicle of 11st uit, says:-There

was a very large assemblage of foreignresidents at the American hatoba at Kobeyesterday afternoon to bid farewell to Mr. Alf. Woolley, the Chief Agent for Japan of the P. & O. Company, who left by the Oriental for Bogland. Mr. Woolley has resided in Japan for a good many years, and has taken a very active part, in the public life of the foreign communities, having been stationed both at Kobe and Yokohama. Latterly he held the post of Chairman of the Kobe Foreign Board of Trade and was also President of the Kobe ing built by the United States Reclamation Club, but, whether he resided in Yokohams of, Kobe, Mr Woolley has always been foremost in rendering ungrudging service in the interests of the community, On Thursday (19th instant) the members of the Kobe Club assembled at the Club to witness the presentation of a silver salver and ten service which had been subscribed for as a mark of respect and esteem. The presentation was made by Mr. H. Lucas, the President, who in a few appreciative words referred to Mr. Woolley's public work and his qualities as a private citizen. Mr. Woolley replied in a happy in Kobe and the affection he had for the place. Yesterday alternoop, as the launch left the hatobs, the large crowd of foreigners neve three hearty cheers for Mr. and Mrs. Woolley. Whether Mr. Woolley will return to Japan is got, we believe, wholly assured, but we are by a large circle of friends, and we may use orass the belief that if the choice lies with him he will decide for Japan, where he has made his home and rendered such excellent public

" NAVY LEAGUE, ANNUAL."

Naturally in a port which is regarded as a first-class navat station, a fact which is continually being drummed into the ears of those who fail to recognise the importance of the China squadron to Hongkong, a reference book backed by such names as the Duke of Argyll, the Marquis of Graham, Mr. Carlyon Bellairs, | day for an estimate of the average price of gun-M.P., and others is bound to prove of interest to a considerable section of the community. The reference book in question is the "Navy League Annual," which now enters its second year of publication. No doubt there are many, who while they are firm believers. in maintaining the two-Power standard of strength in the Navy, do not always see eye to eye with the Navy League, but we are assuled that the Annual is not so much devoted to the booming of the League as to the wider diffusion of knowledgeconcerning the relative position occupied by Groat Britain's first line of defence as contraited with the pavies of other countries. Last year when we reviewed the initial issue of the Annual we were happy to discover that the names of many, if not all, of the expert critics on naval affairs were attached to articles af surpassing interest. On this occasion, it seems to us that more attention has been given to the technical side of naval doings than the general survey which was the feature of the first volume. And for that reason it is to be feared that the latest volume will hardly appeal with the same force to the onlooker, who cannot claim to be a student of the intricacies of armament and mechanical contrivances. . For example, the special articles have been

reduced from fifteen to eleven, which the Editor considers an excellent feature, seeing that the contributors to the 1908-7 Annual are not limited by the exigencies of space. We take it that the Editor knews his own business best, but frem our point of view the reduction distinct mistake. It means that the more rabid the writer is on his particular hobby, the more space will he take to convince the reader that he, and he alone, is right, and long before that has been attained the ordinary reader will lay down the book through sheer baredom. The headings to the articles are capital, but the prospect they suggest is rarely realised. There is little of that 'chatty heart-to-heart talk which distinguished the previous Annual. Rather the writers are so painfully in carnest that they slide into abstruse calculations which will, we are afraid, leave the non-paval man in a quandary as to what the nuthor is trying to get at. This is somewhat unfortunate, because nearly every Britisher, and especially those who live in Hongkong, has a sub-conscious idea that it is his duty to know generally all that is important to be known about the progress of the British Navy. But he does not care for it to be ladled out in hard chunks of petrified facts.. Rather he would absorb his information in a dilettante fashion. gathering in the principal items much in the same way as he scoops out the sultanas in plum-pudding: Are there no racy anecdotes or grim tragedies, if you like, of the sea to illustrate the dry as-dust figures which parade. themselves on almost every page of the Aunual A single story illus rative el a plain proposition is worth a bushel of arguments.

But when all is said and done, the Annual is certainly an important addition to the works of reference with regard to the navies of the world. The Editor, Alr. Alan Burgoyne, i responsible for a survey of the progress of the British Navy and Foreign Navies, but the equally interesting reviews on the condition of the Japanese and American Navies, the Dual Alliance (France and Russia), the Triple Alliance (Germ by, Italy and Austria), and the brief references to the floating strength of minor nations are unsigned, so that the precise value to be attached to them is an unknown quantity. Mr. Burgoyne, is a thorough-going believer in an all-powerful Navy for the United Kingdom. So far as we can make out, he would have all the great shipbuilding yards in the country working at full pressure constructing additions to the various units. In dealing with the British Fleet he talks somewhat strenuously of the people in Great Britain who are shivering because the Admiralty in their opinion is not sufficiently progressive. Was it not Sir John Fisher, who should know something about the Navy, who said that the inhabitants, of Great Britain might alcep peacefully "in their at night in the safe knowledge that they had a Navy which would scare any thing in sight. Yet Mr. Burgoyne is not satisout that, in view of the strenuous naval competition across the North Sea, it would not be possible to continue reducing our estimates annually, and a hope was expressed that in the interests of national security, and to allay the undoubted feeling of discomfort, not to say distrust, throughout the kingdom it would be wise to lay down ships additional to those suggested, and thereby case the burden of th future. The Admiralty could doubtless put forward excellent leasons for demanding no more than two armoured vessels this year, but it is questionable whether the doubling of that number would not have proved sounder than the adopted policy of putting off the evil day when force of circumstances will dictate the commencement of a far larger number of units. and thus heavily swell the estimates out of all proportion at, may be, a period inconvenient for the Chancellor of the Exchequer." There is nothing half-hearted about that. The "evil day" is approaching, and the Admiralty will stand condemned for their laxity. To the block but as soon as the latter saw him approaching, with them, at once.

It is with genuine satisfaction that we learn our submarines are all right. We lead the world and by Stat March next, we shall have no less than sixty of these boats complete. every one of which is better than the other avoid prosecution. maich preceded it. Our torpedo boats are not live was flued \$1.

up to much, nor are the torpedo destroyers al they should be; still there is hope, for which we are sincerely thankful. Fortunately our battleships are all right, and the Indomit ble beats' the American cruiser Columbia into a cocked but.

It would be well if the Editor, of the Annucould give us some idea of the cost of the virous "ves els he ein nernies. All wo know is that the Drandnought cost £1,600,000. What was the contract price of the latest cruisers, etc. when completed and ready to be commissioned? We had occasion to search, the other boats and torpedo craft built in British yards -but-no-information-could-ba-got-from the Annual on this vital point.

With regard to the Duke of Argyll's contribution-it is a poem. Whether it is a good poem or otherwise we leave to others to say. As it is printed in special black type it must be one of the fentures of the volume. All we can say is it should make a first-class rag-time ditty.

Before closing, we should like to refer to an admirable contribution by Lieut, Richard Benyon-Croft-entitled "A. frigate's commission," from August, 1859 to March, 1863. is a little gem of old time memories, and is full of reminiscences of Hongkong, Singapore and

The Navy League Annual will undoubtedly find a place in the library of all students of Naval affiles, and the extraordinary amount of technical knowledge displayed by the writers should certainly keep Hongkoog admirers of our main defence thoroughly au fait with th existing conditions. It is published at nominal price by the Navy League, at 13 Victoria Street, London, S.W.

LODGE NAVAL AND MILITARY Ao. 848; S.C.

INSTALLATION CONCERT.

The some 200 members and friends of the above lodge passed a very enjoyable evening. at the Installation Concert and Supper given in honour of Wor. Bro. J. C. West.

The large hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion, and after an excellent support the foibles which are common to the whole world following programme was gone through, every item receiving weal merited appliause, frequent encores being demanded by the large and appreciative audience. An orchestra of the todo with a kaleidoscope which indulges in such and lists, "The Buffs" discoursed some very | mud-slinging. It is anonymously signed "The well-rendered pieces during the supper and at the concert, the piano accompaniments being

p	layed by Mr. J. P. McGarthy, Alsici
•	PROGRAMME.
	4-March Hunyadi Larlo " Orchestra.
	-Song (Comb) Bandsman Peate.
•	3-Whistic Solo
	4-Recitation" Professor Choker" La.DMr. Young. 5-Song (Comic)
	A-Song Sanders.
-	7-SongMr. J. P. McCarthy.
	8-SongSelected Mr. Hutcheson, R.P.
41	n-Trin (Comic)
	to-Song Selected Capt. Parke
	Interval of to minutes

during which Orchestra will play. 2-Song (Comic) Mr. Hutcheson, R.R. 3-SongSelected Mr. Sanders 6-Song. Selected Bandeman Peate. "y-StingSelected (Coon)., Bandsman Englefield. o-Song (Comle) Selected ... Mr. Hutcheson, R.R. God Savethe King.

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1909. Right Worshipful Manter-Wor. Bro. J. C

Immediate Part Master-Wor, Bro. E. A

Wor. Seni'r Warden-Bro. G. W. Coysb. Transurer-Beo. Jan. McLeod. Chaplain - Bro. Jacobs, Sentor Devcon- Bro. H. Woodward Inner Guard -Bro. E. W. Dawson, Wor, Junior Warden - Bro. J. Hutcheson. Secretary-Bro.]. Blake.

Junior Deacon-Bro. A. Charlton. Director of Ceramonics-Wor. Bro. A. W. H Stewards-Bro. C. H. Parkinson and Bro.

Tyler-Bro. J. Vanstone.

MARINE COURT NO LIGHT.

In the Marine Court, this morning, before the Hon, Commander Basil R. H. Taylor, R.N., Harbour Master, Police-Sergeant Atler charge ed Cheung Kong Yun, owner of a water-boat with failing between sunset and suprise to ex hibit a light on board his boat whilst under way in Aberdeen harbour yesterday.

Prosecutor stated that at 7.45 p.m. yesterday, he saw defendant's boat under way in Aberdeen harbour without lights. Witness called bim alongside and asked him if he had no light. The latter replied that he had been across to Aplichau and was returning. He again asked if there was any light in the fied. He remarks: "Last year it was pointed | boat and the reply he received was in the

> Defendant said that he had a light when he went to Aplichau, but had none when the Police boarded his boat.

He was fined \$10, in default of payment, one mohth's imprisonment. A CARELESS HABIT.

In the same court, P. C. Connaughton proceeded against Pang Ho, a boat-woman, with failing to keep the "yulo" of her boat out of water and rigged in so as not to project outboard whilst alongside the s. Shansi yesterday,-When asked the reason of her carefessness, defendant replied that she forgot to rig it in. -A fine of \$10 was imposed.

DUMPING COAL. Lau Fat, a Chinese constable, summoned Chan Kwong, owner of a fishing boat, with throwing coal into the harbour to prevent

Lau Fat stated that at about 7.30 p.m. yesterday, he was proceeding from . Taimsha-tsui to Hunghom in No. 5 Police launch, when he saw defendant's boat laden with coal. He promptly went alongside her. he threw the coal overboard. Witness picked up two bags of coal with a boat-hook. He found there were signs of coal having been stored in the boat at the time he boarded her. Defendant naively said that she threw the coal everboard because he thought he could

Another new periodical, which is to be known as The Kaleidoscope, an extraordiaary though not ill-fitting name, has just appeared in Hongkong, but the average reader will find some difficulty in classifying it. The original intention of the promoters, was that it should be an annual but the advertisements poured in so thickly that the first idea was rapidly dispelled and it was decided to make the publication a quarterly. From the publishers' point of view no decision could be wiser, for if there are profits to be anapped up it is high time that even our amateur journalistic fifend should gain their reward. As we have said, the K is a quarterly, but a quarterly what? It looks like a magazine; a cusual glance would lead one to believe it to be a magazine, one of the popular sort but on closer acquaintance it appears to. be a glorified advertising medium. Nearly everybody who proclaims the superiority of his wares receives a page or more of fulsome encomiums apparently as a sort of discount for, cash. We have nothing whatever to any against that system; it is a matter which rests entirely between the advertiser and the "compiler," but the man-in-thestreet who is inveigled into reading a long dissertation about notistog particular only to find in the end that he has been wading through what is known in newspaper parlance as a "puff" is apt to feel aggrieved. Not that there are no original articles, original, in more ways than one, in the quarterly K. For example we have a poem entitled " Christmas Bells "-a most pathetic ballad, as two lines, not the pick

of the bunch by any means, will show :--

"Whilom, the sea they hoursely boom or fright

"KALBIL OSCOPIC"

JOURNALISM,

STORY OF A HONOKONG ANNUAL WHICH

BECAME A QUARTERLY.

The good ships from the rocks." It reminds one of Edgar Allan Pos's tintinabullation of the bells. A couple of pages of American jokes which should raise the spirits of the last night at the Masonic Hall, Zatland Street, young ones gathered round the Yule lox, are thrown in gratuitously. "The hypocondriac. has an article in execrable taste on the ways of the young men of Hongkong, exaggeratingand spitting out venom with such rancour that it is to be feared no self-respecting family who have sons bore in Hongkong will have anything Tadpole" which is a most appropriate name for a writer who wallows in slime." Other articles of more or less interest as the reader is inclined deals with the "Merchant vs. Missionary as a factor of civilisation" and "Inventions and Discoveries of the Age." \ r. A. S. Parker, who contributes the latter, has achieved the impossible. He has condensed into about 1,500 words a subject which can hardly be contained in the E-cyclofeile Britt mies. Mr. Hotace Wyndham tells "How Britain gained Hongkong" and introduces some new facts which past historians have overlooked. For example, he tays: "Like the majority of our Colonial possessions, the island of Hongkopg was not brought under British sway without resorting to the power of the sword. The fields which to-day bear smiling crops were once dyed red with English blood, and many a gallant soldier, now sleeping peacefully in the Happy Valley cemetery met his death in the fighting which our occupation of this dependency occasioned." Many people will be interested in the article "Is New York civilised? while others will wonder whether the author of "Maudalais not a gross plagiaris, unless, of course, he was, the original writer of the story, which we fincy we have read in a dozen papers, American and colonial. There are 16 portraits of "Our Public Men. and as we have met them one and all in the flesh it is reasonable to believe that they are "island worthies." Some pictures entitled "Local street scenes" remind us of a weekly long defunct, while the caricatures on St. Andraw's Day were scarcely worth resurrecting. | collecting officer. And that is about the sum total of the reading and pictorial matter of The Kalifdoncope, Asan outlet for enterprising advertisors it is admirable, but that the man who wants reading matter over Sunday should be mulcted in the sum of 50 cents for the "compilation" seems rather stiff. The front page is adorned with an authentic portrait of Confucius, and from our recollection of the sage when a boy it certainly resembles him especially about the feet. tiny. Mr. T. C. Swaby is "compiler" and we look anxiously forward to the second number

ILLICIT OPIUM

which will appear on race week.

THREE MEN MULCTED IN HEAVY INES.

Yesterday alternoon, Excise Officeis boaided the steamer Loongeung in search of illicit onium, this trick of hoodwinking the Governaffilis and the party began poking their official mend an experienced doctor for service. poses in every nook and corner in the hope of a "capture." They had not gone far when their

seles distribution a pandy plotting book.

To-day's Advertisement.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARKS.

NI OTICE is hereby given that LUEN YICK N. AND COMPANY, carrying on business at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and elsewhere as Flour Merchants, have, on the zoth day of October, 1928, applied for the registration in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks of the following Trade Marks :-

I.—The representation of a wine pot or j: and a Chineso bookcase, a bunch of flowers and leaves are depicted in the back ground; above which are written the Chinese characters 聯盘公司 reading Lues Yick Kung az being the Chinese name of Luen Vick & Company and the words "Drinking Pot," and below which are written the Chivose characters Tall reading Shi Tsau To meaning "I he picture of postry and wine" and the name Luen Yick and

2.-The representation of a Buffalo ridden by a Chinese boy coming down a hill above which are printed the words "Heids Boy" and below which appears the name "Luen Yick & Co." On the right hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 童子牧牛 reading Tung Tsz Muk Ngau meaning "A boy herding cattle" and on the left hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 聯急公司 reading Luen Yick Kung 52 being the Chinese name of Luen Yick and Com-

in the name of LUEN YICK AND COM-PANY, who claim to be the proprietors thereof. The Trade Marks have been used by the

applicants since the month of October, 1907, in respect of the following goods:-FLOUR IN CLASS 42. Facsimiles of the Trade Marks can be seen

at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and also at the Office of the under-

Dated the 4th day of December, 1908. JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER Solicitors for the Applicants, 8. Des Vœux Road Central, Hongkong.

> CANTON DAY BY DAY. THE "FATSHAN" INCIDENT.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 4th December. Yesterday, a meeting was held by the Capton belf-Government Society in connection with the Fatshan incident when a large number of people were present. The four men who signed the petition to the officials reporting the case and who presented themselves as witnesses, also attended the meeting. The statement at the inquiry held at the British Consulate, as taken by the members of the Society, was read before the assembly. Several gentlemen made speeches during the proceedings, the gist of which was that the Chinese people should look to the preservation of their lives and unite together for protection, as China is still weak in dealing with such cases as the present one. Those present listened to the speakers with evident signs of emotion. After some delibera-

CHINESE OBSTINACY. The Self-Government Society has forwarded a joint petition to the Viceroy asking him to send a doctor of the Military College together with the Namhoi magistrate and the Deputy of Foreign Affairs, to re-examine minutely the body. of the deceased. The Viceroy has also been Prequested to communicate with the Portuguese Consul and ask him to be present at the inquest in order to find out whether the man really died of the wounds that he is said to have received as a result of the alleged attack of the ticket-

tions, the four men referred to above were

photographed and the meeting ended.

BLACKMAILERS AGAIN. Some time ago, the Likin Station at Hou Lik received a blackmailing letter from certain robbers who demanded the payment of \$10,000. A Government gunboat has now been detailed to remain permanently in close proximity of the station in case of emergency.

OFFICIAL'S INCOMPETENCY. As a result of the disturbance created by the students of the Military College at Whampon As a first attempt at bringing out a quarterly, through the unsatisfactory supervision of the The Kalcidoscope will stand the closest scru. College director Wei Yu Tsung the Viceroy has in consequence removed the latter from his post and appointed Wong Sze Lung to fill the vacancy.

PROPOSED HOSPITAL Taotal Kung Sum Cham of Yumchow prefecture has forwarded to the Canton Fong Pin Hospital a despatch, in which he informed the committee of his intention to open a hospital in that prefecture and asked for a copy of the regulations of the Canton-hospital for perusal with a view to adopt the same for the ment having become frequent of late. Police- management of the proposed hospital. Taotai Sergeant Wilson put himself at the head of | Kung also asked the Canton hospital to recom-

THE IMPERIAL MOURNING. On the 2nd instant, the day when His Imperial bulging optics discerned suspicious-looking Majesty the Emperor of China Hauan-Tung packages in the foc'sle. There were awenty-two was enthroned, most of the people in this city boxes containing eighty-eight tacks of opium thought that they might be allowed to shave and two tins containing eight tacls. In the I their heads on that day without being interfered ventilator on the bridge, seven bags contain- with on this auspicious occasion. Nevertheless, ing 129 tips of the drug, equivalent to 516 tacls I the officials have already notified them that were discovered. The illicit article was taken | mourning should be maintained continually possession of, and this morning, three tally- for fully one hundred days on account of the 1049] men were charged with having the diug in their | death of the late Emperor Kuang Hau. A possession. Yam Ping, the first defendant, put regular scene was enacted on that day in nearthe others hopelessly in the shade by being by every police station when a number of fined \$500, while Lau Sum Chun and Chan | people with their heads neatly shaved under-Pin, the remaining two, bad each to pay balf went their trial and were made to pay a fine of a few dollars each for failing to continually observe the solemn occasion. The total num-CALE DARS and pocket distins for 1909 have | ber of arrests on that day for this offence made reached us from the following firms: Royal by the police of various stations was eighty-Insurance Co., Ld., (Messrs, Melchers & Co., | nine and the fines collected amounts to over scal agents); State Fire Insurance Co. (Messrs. | \$500. On that day a military student, a W.G. Humphreys & Co.); Queen fusurance Bannerman, was also arrested for a similar Co., Mesers, E. D. Sassoon & Co., who are offence, and the Tertar-General sentenced him Tto Imprisonment for one year.

To-day's Advertisements.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE,

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARKS.

TOTICE is hereby given that YEE HING & COMPANY, carrying on business t Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and elsewhere as Flour Merchants, have, on the 2.th day of October, 1908, applied for the Registration in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks, of the following. Trade Marks:-

1.-The representation of an O.d Chinese fisherman wearing a bat and water proof coat made of dried straws or leaves and carrying on his shoulder a fishing rod with line attached thereto, in his right hand a red fish. Above the said representation , is printed the word "Strenupuser" and below the said representation appears the name "Yee Hing'& Co.! Un the right hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters (1991) reading Yee Hing being the equivalent in Chinese of Yes Hing & Co., and on the left hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters many reading U Yung meaning " An old nisherman."

2.—The representation of a Pamelo. Above which is depicted a scroll whereon is printed the word "Pumelo" and below which appears the name "Yee Hing and Company." On the right hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters * reading Luk. Yow meaning "Lumelos" and on the left hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters Ap reading Yee Hing being the equivalent in Chinese of Yee Hing & Company.

3.—The representation of six tomatoes placed in three .rows one on top, two in the centre and three underneath; the whole in the form of a triangle. Above which is printed the word "Tomatoes and below which appears the name "Yee Hing & Co." Oa the right hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 事滿 reading Fan Ke meaning "Tumatues" and on the left haed side of the mark are written the Chinese characters (reading Yee Hing being the equivalent in Chinese of Yee Hing & Company; in the name of YEE HING & COMPANY

who claim to be the proprietors thereof. The Trade Marks have been used by the applicants since the month of September, 1907, in respect of the following goods:--. FLOUR IN CLASS 42.

Facsimiles of the Trade Marks can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong, and also at the Office of the under-Dated the 4th day of December, 1908.

'Iohnson, Stokes & Master Solicitors for the Applicants, 8. Des Vœux Road Central. ·Hongkong.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARKS.

TOTICE is hereby given that SHIU ON WING & COMPANY, carrying on business at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkung, and elsewhere as Flour Merchants, have, on the 20th day of October, 1908, applied for the Registration, in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks, of the following Trade

r.—The representation of a pot in which is planted an orange tree with leaves and oranges thereon. Above which is depicted a scroll on which are printed the words "Nutmeg Orange" and below which are written the Chinese characters 四季者 reading tz Kwai Kat mean. ing ' rour season oranger" and the name "Shiu On Wing & Co." On the lest hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 船女架 reading Shiu On Wing being the equivalent in Chinese of Shiu On Wing &

2. The representation of a Kingfisher standing on a branch of a rose tree with roses growing thereon. Above which is printed the word "Kingfisher" and below which is printed the name " Shiu On Wing & Co." On the right hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 型雀 reading Tsui Tseuk meaning "Kingfisher" and on the left side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 紹安榮 reading Shiu On Wing being the Eq ivalent in Chinese of Shin On Wing & Company.

3.—The representation of a plant of brasica. Above which are printed the words White Greens" and below which appears the name "Shiu On Wing & Co." On the right hand side of the said representation are written the Chinese characters 日菜 reading Pak Choi meaning " number and on the left hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 和安荣 reading Shin On Wing being tue equivalent. Chinese of Shiu On Wing & Company;

n the name of SHIU ON WING AND COM-PANY, who claim to be the proprietors thereof. The Trade Marks have been used by the applicants since the month of September, 1907, in respect of the following goods :-FLOUR IN CLASS 42.

Facsimiles of the Trade Marks can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and also at the office of the Undersigned. Dated the 4th day of December, 1908, JOHNSON, STOKES & MASIER,

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Hon, Secretary. Houghous, 5th December, 1908.

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1.—The representation of two ducks floating on water, above which is brinted the word "Lovering" and the Chinese characters is reading Un Young meaning "Love ducks" and below which are written the Chinese characters **資格築 readick Kwong Yee Wing** bong the equivalent in Chinese of Kwong Yee Wing and Company.

2.-The representation of Bamboo trees, above which is depicted a scroli on which is printed the word "Bamboo" and belows which appears the name "Kwong Yee Wing and Company," On the right hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 路谷 reading Kwong Yee Wing being the equivalent in Chinese of Kwong Yes. Wing and Company and on the left hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 11 17 reading Luk Chuk meaning " Licen

bamboo." The representation of a basket inside of which are several water caltrops, above which are printed the words "Water cattrops" and below which appears the name Kwong Yes Wing & Company. On the right hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 愛角 reading Ling Kok meaning "wuter caltrops" and on the left hand side of

the mark are written the Chinese characters 廣裕榮 baieg the equivalent in Chinese of Kwong Yee Wing & Company; in the name of KWONG YEE WING AND

COMPANY, who claim to be the proprietors The Trade Marks has been used by the applicants since the month of September, 1907, in respect of the following goods:--.

FLOUR IN CLASS 41. Facsimiles of the Trade Marks can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong, and also at the office of the Undersigned. Dated the 4th day of December, 1908,

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, Solicitors for the Applicants, 8, Des Vœux Road Central, Hongkong.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARKS.

NIOTICE is hereby given that KWONG YOW HANG & COMPANY, carrying on business at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and elsewhere as Flour Meichants, have, on the zoth day of October, 1908, applied for the Registration in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks, of the following Trade: Marks :--

r.—The representation of two fishes and some seaweeds, above which is printed. the word "Ophicephalus" and below which appears the name Kwong Yow Hang & Company. On the right hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 版有恒 reading Kwong Yow Hang being the equivalent in Chinese of Kwong Yow Hang and Company and on the left hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 生魚 reading Sang U

being the name of a kind of fresh water 2.—The representation of a bunch of Bananas resting on a banana leaf. Above which are printed the word "Badana" and the Chinese characters... 香蕉 reading Heung Taui meaning 🕱 "" Fragrant banana" and below which appears the name Kwong Yow Hang & Co. On the left hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters

肾有恒 reading Kwong Yow Hang being the equivalent in Chinese of Kwong Yow Hang and Company. .-The representation of a bull-opened oyster shell rising from the waves inside of which appears the representation of a Fairy. Above which are printed the words "Mollusc Fniry" and below which appears the name Kwong Yow Hang &: Company. On the right hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 也丰何 reading Pong Sin meaning "Oyster Fairy" and on the left hand side of the mark are written the Chinese characters 麗有恒 reading Kwong Yow Hang being the equivalent, in Chinese of Kwong Yow Hang and

in the name of KWONG YOW HANG AND COMPANY, who claim to be the proprietors

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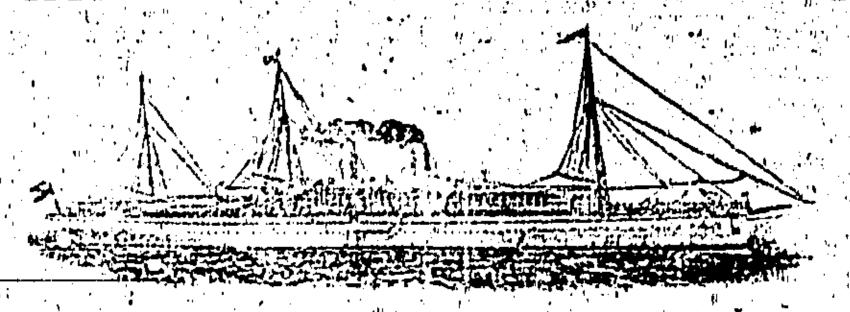
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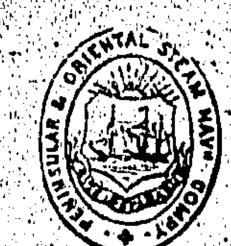
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LIE LATE RICHARD MARKWICK.

THE CORONER'S INQUEST. The circumstances surrounding the death of Mr. Richard Markwick formed the subject of an inquiry by Mr. G. W. King, H.B.M.'s Coroner, yesterday afternoon, reports the Shanghai. Times of 1st last.

telephone message at a few minutes past 9 a.m. on November 27, asking him to proceed to the China Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Canton Road where he was told a man had shot himself. Arriving at a quarter past nine o'clock he found the deceased lying on his back with his legs crossed, and a cushion under his head. | ed, and it is expected that shipments to Post-He was bleeding from the nose, both cars, and mouth. His clothes were not at all disarranged. He was unconscious, and breathing heavily, evidently dying. He did not regain consciousness or speak at all, and died at 9.27 o'clock. Subsequently witness made an autopsy at the Mortunry. He undressed the body, and found the collar and shirt blood. | taining a head in an ellipse, the only decoration stained. There were no bruises on the body, | being laurel leaves on either side of the ellipse. but the palm and fingers of the right-hand were. stained with powder. On the right side of the vault of the skull-there was an elevated com, words "Two cents." The one-cent stamp conthe mouth there was a hole, evidently the bear that of Washington, taken from busts by point of entry of a bullet. On removing Houdon. Thus one of the most notable differthe scalp the bullet was found lying among ences in the new issue will be the minimum of the fragments of bone at the vault of lettering. The colours are the reds and blues the skull. Witness produced the bullet. Wit- of the early stamps. ness made an examination of the organs of Director Ralph of the Bureau of Engraving the body. He had treated the deceased off and on for two years, and witness told him about two months ago that the general state of his health was very unsatisfactory. Deceased had suffered a good deal from incomnia, and apart from his health he was rather nervous that the insurance company would fill his place. Witness 'spoke to the Managing Director and was told to tell deceased that he was to stay away until he [7] was lit to come back to work, his salary would be paid, and a place kept for him. For the last month witness thought that another doctor had treated the deceased. The cause of death was haemorrhage and laceration of the brain substance by a revolver wound. He would say that the wound was self-inflicted. Evidently he put the barrel of the revolver in his mouth, fired with his left hand, covering his mouth with the right hand. This would explain the blackening of the right hand.

- Raymond Arthur Killalee said that he was employed at the China Mutual. Coming to office a "few minutes before nine o'clock on Friday he saw the deceased about to enter the back door. He was carrying a box, and knowing he was rather weak witness went to help him up. When witness reached him he was on the first landing, and witness asked if he wanted any help. To this deceased said no, and witness went on into the general office. Decrased had at this time fald the box on the window. About two minutes afterwards they heard a sound like cracker exploding, and later on going down the back stairs to the office below he saw M: Markwick's body lying on the landing with hi head against the wall. Witness asked if he wanted any help, but receiving no answer he ran back to the general office and called Mr [1034 Roza, The-latter examined him and first remarked that he had fainted and then that he had shot himself. Dr. Goode was then telephoned

> Carlos Maria da Roza, clark in the China Mutual, gave evidence as to knowing Mr. Markwick for two years. On Friday he was called by the previous witness to see Mr. Markwick, whom he found sitting on the second step from the first landing with his head leaning against the wall. Witness shouled in his ears asking what was the matter but receiving no reply thought he had fainted. Then he noticed a revolver lying in a pool of blood, and seeing he had shot himself witness called for Mr. Killaice. The body was then removed upstairs, Mr. Markwick had not come to the office for about two weeks previously.

> Edward Randall, telephone clerk at the Central Police Station, stated that he was on duty on Friday morning when a telephone message came at 9.15. It was from the China Mutual, and was to the effect that a foreigner had shot himself. The charge-room sergeant sent witness to the office where he found the deceased lying on his back on the second landing. . Dr. Goode was in attendance. . On the window-sill on the first flight of stairs witness found a deed box fastened with a strap while on the box there were three letters and a hard felt hat. He found the revolver on the stairs, and this along with the box and letters he handed to Det. Prosser who had then arrived. Dr. Goode told them to take deceased to the hospital, but as they were taking him downstairs life was pronounced extinct.

> The Corover found that death was caused by a bullet wound in the head self-inflicted whilst in a state of temporary insanity.

MAN-KATERS NEAR PORT DICKSON.

It would appear that two man-cating tigers are at large in the neighbourhood of Pasis Panjang, some miles from Port Dickson. One day last week a report was brought in to the latter place that a Chipaman had been killed by a tiger. Two Europeans thereupon went out with rifles. They did not find the tiger, but discovered the body of the Chinaman which was in a terribly mangled condition. The tiger had evidently aprung at his throat and killed bim, and subsequently deyoured portions of him. The Chinaman was the owner of a small gambier plantation on which the lalang had been allowed to grow up bigh. Investigation revealed the tracks of a tigerall over the plantation. Some time ago a man was taken by a tigor, and the blalays coclare that the tracks to this case were different; so that there is good reason to suppose that Loui I there are two of the beutes proving around 1886 | this neighbourhood -- Maley Mail.

NEW AMERICAN STAMPS HEAD OF WASHINGTON IN RELIEF ON ALT

OF THEM BUT THE OME CENT.

Wastington, 11th October. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing has completed designs suggested by Postmaster-General Meyer for a new issue of postage stamps. The new stamps will be of the follow-Dr. Goode deposed to having received a log denominations: One cent, two, three, feur, five, six, eight, ten, fifteen and one dollar. The two dollar and five denominations now in use

will not be reprinted. It will be some weeks before all the denominations will be put on the market. However, the two-cent stamps will be first distribute masters will commence some time in Novem-

The new issue has been designed with the object of obtaining the greatest simplicity commensurate with artistic results. The profile has been taken in each instance instead of a full view, stamps are of a similar design, con-

The lettering is in straight lines, at the top being "U.S. Postage," and at the bottom the minuted fracture of the bone. In the roof of tains the head of Franklin, while all others will

> and Printing regards the new stamps as the most artistic ever issued by the Government.

OPIUM IN THE MALAY STATES INCREASE IN DUTIES. We had, in a récent jesue, reported that the

import duty on opium is to be so greatly increased in Perak, from the beginning of next year, that Chandu will become practically beyond the reach of the Chinese coolle. The decrease of the imports of the drug will we anticipate, be so large, that the Government revenue is bound to suffer, notwithstanding the greatly enhanced rate of duties. But the loss, if any, will fall on the Government, as the outcome of its own policy, and there are no vested interests to suffer thereby. Mr. Birch had suggested an increase of 25% on the existing duty, "Had the recommendation of the resident been exactly conformed to, it would have increased the duty from \$560 to \$750, per chest. But it has been decided to go much further, and we may look forward to a good deal of smuggling, prosecutions and rewards to informers. But this policy is not to be confined to

Perak. It is now reported that the increase is also to be given effect to, in Pahang, from 1st January next, though the Farmer's learn does not expire before the end of the year 1909. It is stated that Government proposes. to avail itself of a special clause in the contract with the Farmer, which enables the Resident to raise the rates of duty at any time during the continuance of the lease. In the exercise of this right the Farmer has been notified, under instructions from the High Commissioner, that the rate of duty is to be raised from 1440 to \$1,200 or an increase of \$760 per chest. Had the Farmer been entitled to appropriate this increase he might have been amply compensated for the inevitable decline in the quantity of opium imported. But the excess. duty levied is to be collected for the Government by the Fermer, as its agent, being remunerated by a three per cent commission on the receipts. Under the new arrangement, the Farmer stands to lose nearly as much as the Government is bound to gain by the cohancement. There has already been, last year, a decrease of 14 chests compared to that of 1906 in consequence of an increase in the price from \$766 to \$789 per chest. The contemplated increase in the duty by \$760 will just double the price, and consequently halve the consumption. Assuming that it will only diminish by ion chests next year, the Farmer would lose \$44,000 in the shape, of duty thereon at existing rates. Against this loss the only set off would be a commission of a per cent. pay. able on the excess receipts credited to Government. The net loss of the Farmer would be about \$40,000, while the Government revenue would be increased by not less than. double the sum . We shoul I think that, in all fairness, the Farmer ought to be allowed a rebate of \$440 in his rental, on every chest that the imports fall short of those of the current year, as a natural result of this enormous and almost prohibitive augmentation in the duly-Parak Pioneer

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"SBND US £50." JUDGE'S COMMENT IN WINDING-UP ANGEO-FRENCH TRUST-CO.

An order for the compulsory winding up of the Angle-French Trust Company was made by Mr. Justice Neville on 27th Oct.

The petitioner was Major H. B. Dodgson, of Handborough, Oxford, whose counsel said the company sent out circulars inviting the public to invest in their French system of options, which they undertook to give 75 per cent. cheaper than the o-dinary English system.

The company, said counsel, appeared to have paid themselves by taking the rates paid for the option, and never paying a single penny when they lost.

The petitioner had two transactions of this kind, which resulted in a profit (on paper) of about £200, but he never received a penny of

There was no doubt whatever, continued counsel, that the company had sobbed the public in a deliberate way of thousands of pounds. They issued another circular in glowing

terms: HOW YOU CAN EASILY MAKE MONRY, and invited the public to send them 250 on trust to deal with, promising to send the balance due at the end of the month.

"If you don't come in," said the circular, # it must be because you have not got £50 (Laughter.) The major sent £50 and ard anything more about it. The inwas, said counsel, that the company Tot the money in their pockets.

s Lordship: The lunatic asylums in this country are very full, but it appears to me that many qualified for admission remain outside. . The defendants did not appear, and the company was ordered to be wound up. 24

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SHIPPING AND MAILS

American (Manchurla) 7th inst. French (Ernest Simons)'7th inst. . German (Prins Wuldemar) 9th inst. Canadian (Empress of India) 10th inst

The s.s. Rubi left Manila on 5th fast, and is due here on 7th inst., at 6 p.m. The E. & A. Co.'s s.s. Eastern, which left here on 12th uit., arrived at Sydney yesterd iy. The H. A. L. s.s. Aragonta left Cebu on 4th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on 8th

inst, s.m. · . The I. C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Kutsang from Calcutta and the Straits left Singapore for this port on 4th inst.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Marcharla will arrive in Hongkong op'7th inst., at 2 p m., with the American Mail.,

The N. Y. K. s.s. Hakata Maru, European Line, left hanghai for this port on 4th inst., and is expected here on 7th iost. The N. Y. K. s.s. Kawachi Maru, European Line, left Singapore for this port on 4th inst.,

and is expected here on toth inst. The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of India arrived at Yokohama at 11.30 a.m., on 4th inst., and leaves again at 4 p.m., same day, for Nagasaki, where she is due to arrive at 5 p.m., on 6th inst.

THE WHATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:-On the 5th at 11.55 a .- The barometer has fallen moderately over the Philippines owing to the approach from the Eastward, of a

typhoon towards the S. part of the Archipelago: Pressure bas increased quickly on the N.E. coast of China, the Northern depression having reached E. Manchuria.

The highest pressure is over China to the North of the Yangize,

The monsoon will probably freshen in the Formosa Channel and N. and N.E. gales will deck from Manila to Hongkong, strong and continue to prevail over the N. part of the bigh sea... China Sea.

. Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches."

. PORECAST. t.-Hongkong and Neighbourhood, N.E. winds, moderate to fresh; fine.

2.-Formosa Chandel, N.E. winds, freshen--3.-South coast of China between Hongkong

and Lamocks, same as No. 1; and Hainan, same as No. r.

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E-Sang, Br. s.s., 1,127, Meyrick, 4th Dec.,-Newchwang and Dalny 20th Nov., Beans. Gregory Apear, Br. s s., 2,96t, S. II. Belson, 5th Dec .- Singapore 27th Nov , Gen .- D

S. & Co., Ld. Kwanglee, Ch. s.s., 1,487, R. Lincoln, 5th Dec. - Shanghai and Dec., Gen. - C. M. S.

Merapi, Dut. s.s., 1,598, E. Uldall, 5th Dec.,-Samarang via Pulo Laut 16th Nov., Sugar. --Kian Gwan. Simongan, Dut. s.s., x,200, H. Vos, 5th Dec., -Singapore 26th Nov. Sugar.-Yuen Fat

Ariake Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,183, Oir, 5th Dec.,-Moji 20th Nov., Coal.-M. B. K. Palembang, Dut. s.s., 1,119, Laggay, 5th Dec., -Canton 4th Dec., Ballast,-A. P. Co. Szechuen, Br. s.s., 1,157, Sidford, 5th Dec,-

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Quints, Ger. s.s., 987, F. Frahm, 5th Dec.,-Hankow and Chinkiang 1st Dec., Rice and Ground-Nuts.-S. & Co.

Kilburn, Br. s.s., 2,111, Adam, 5th Dec .-Hongay 1st Dec., Coal.-D. & Co., I d. Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Onsang, for Singapore. Daiya Maru, for Wakamatsu. Jaxia, for Hongay. Palembang, for, Palembang. Chowlal, for Swatow. Kinanglee, for Canton. Stoc-ta, for Shanghai. Halmun, for Swatow. Hopsang, for Saigon.

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Steerla, for San Francisco. Nila, for Shanghai. Zafire, for Manila. Komo Maru, for Yokohama. Bourbon, for Saigon. Shinchiku Maru, for Takao. Chenan, for Ningpo. -Loksang, for Canton. Japan, for Calcuita. Onsang, for Singapore,

Hanol, for Haiphong, Ithaka, for Hankow. `*Shamil*, for Shangbai, Landrat Scheif, for Tamsui.

Passengers arrived. Per Merapi, from Samarang-80 Chinese. . Per Kwanglee, from Shanghai—110 Chinese Per Simongan, from Singapore-154 Ch

Per Gregory Apcar, from Singapore-Mrs Belson, Messrs. C. A. W. Ferrier, Messrs. C. C. Owen, A. Dorabjee, and 447 Chinese.

Passengers departed. Per Kamo Maru, for Japan-Mrs. Kirkwood Misses M. Corbett, G. Corbett, K. Yasuoka Major Kemishi, Mr. Yashiroda, Miss Gray, Mr. and Mrs. M. de Guclau, Mr. M. Ohta, Lieut, Col. M. Sato, Messis, H. Koyasu, Uchida, Capt. Ekstraud, Dr. Munro, Messrs. T. Yokoyama Lonegawa. G. Bardens, James, Tekeguchi Tashiro and Gunjt.

Per Siberia, for Shanghai, &c. - Mrs. A. Robertson, Mr. A. G. Graham, Prince Rospigliosi, Mr. and Mrs. Low nan, Mrs. J. S. Spear, Miss M. G. McGuird, Messra, S. T. Mernell, J B. Stetson, Chas. Silk, Mr. and Mrs. Treat, Mrs. W. J. Sedwick, Mr. and Mrs. E. I Hueter, Commander J.-A. Dougherty, U.S.N. Mrs. J. A. Dougherty, Miss L. E. Crenshaw, Messrs, E. J. Ezra, Tong Fong, Mr. and Mrs. A. Waterhouse, Mr. F. J. Willard, Mrs. C. M. Tozen, child and amah, Capt. H. G. Myhue, Mts. J. Crowley, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Inman, and Mr. W. H. 1 urtl.

Per Zafiro, for Manila-Messrs. Hanigan, Hanigan, Misss Y. Hanigan, H. Dertiam. Messrs, W. Halven, W. E. Colville, R. C. Yones, M. Grunfeld, Miss W. Dutt, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Holdenham, Mrs. H. McKay, Mrs. H. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. H. Krusi and child, Messrs E. G. Tisdall, Y. F. MacDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Y. M. Beattic, Messrs. A. E. Braden, K. F. W. Roth, D. Turnbill, Capt. and Mrs. Farwell, Mr. and Master Kenpedy, Mr. Quon On Hing, Mr. and Mrs-Y.-Martin, Messis. Leong Yu Kun, Ng Chao; Lee Pat, Y. Laing, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Shager and child, Messrs. Moc Yew, Tsang-Kai, C. Cil, Y. H., Kuhus, L. M. Kuhus, E. Hallows, Y. G. Scott, and Mr. and Mrs. Y. M. Clark.

Shipping Reports.

Str. Kwanglee, from. Shanghai :- Moderate brenze and fine weather.

Str. Gregory Apear, from Singapore: -Strong monsoon with high sea throughout.

- Str. E-Sang, from Newchwang and Daloy: -Dalny to Heishan, light N. wind and fine weather; Deishan to Hongkong strong S.N.E. wind overcast weather.

Str. Merapi, from Samarang via Pulo. Laut: -Fine till near Manila; west, of Luzon a typhoon; called back into to Manila, for coal and water. Very high sea, much damage on

VESSELS IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

Nov. - Nanila and Nov., Sugar. - Order. Binh-Thuan, 1'r. s.s., 984, Ribault, 4th Dec.,-

-P. M. S. S. Co.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong Chowtai, Ger. s.s., 1,115, W. Möllerman, 1st vided. Dec.,-Bangkok and Swatow 10th Nov., Gen.-M. & Co.

Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,580, I. Sakurai, and Dec. -- Swatow 1st Dec., Gen. -- O. S. K. Daiya Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,735, Kobuyushi, 3rd saki 28th, Coal.-M. B. K.

Nov. Bangkok 28th Oct., Rice, Rice and Meal .-- B. & 9. Fri, Nor. s.s., 860, C. Wagle, 17th Nov.,-Manila 13th Nov., Ballast.-Asgaard, Thoresen & Co. Frithlof, Nor. s.s., 891, O. Andersen, 4th Dec.,

Angaard, Thoresen & Co. Glenogle, Br. s.s. 2,399, W. T. Larkins, 4th Doc. -Singapore 27th Nov., Gen. -Seang

Haimun, Br. s.s., 616, J. W. Evans, 4th Dec., -Swatow 3rd Dec., Gen.-D., L. & Co. Halvard, Nor. s.s., 1,701, R. Rönneberg, 10th Nov., -Taku Bar 5th Nov. Ballast. -. Asgaard, Thoreson & Co.

lelena, Am. cruiser, W. W. Buchnan, 3rd Dec .- Manila toth Nov. Hilary, Gor. s.s., 1,276, Haije, 4th Dec.,—Pulo Laut 22nd Nov., Coal.—S., W. & Co. Hinsang, Br. s.s., 1,536, A. Smith, 28th Nov. -Samarang 16th Nov., Sugar.-J., M. &

Huichow, Br. s.s., 1,217, E. Forsyth, 41 Dec.,-Canton 3rd Dec., Gon.-B. & S. aga Maru, Jap. 8.8., 3,906, G. S. Lapraik, 29th Nov. -Shanghai 2'th Nov., Gen.-N. Y.

Lucrtes, Br. s.s., 1,340, H. C. Frampion, 4th Dec.-Saigon asth Nov., Gen.-Wo Fat

.ennox, Br. s 4., 2.361, F. McNair, 16th Nov., -Shaoghai t3th Nev., Gen.-C. P. R. Co. Dec., 5 P.M. l ightning, Br. s.s., 2,122, A. E. Centles, 3rd Dec, -- Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 25th Nov., Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ld. Loyal, Ger. s.s., 1,237, F. Natzins, 25th Nov.,

-Samarang . 11th Nov., Gen. -S., W. &. Monteagle, Br. s.s., 3,913, W. Davison, 2nd Dec.;-Vancouver 7th Nov., and Shanghai 20th, Mails and Gen, -C. P. R. Co. Sexia, Ger. s.s., 992, H. Graupner, 4th Dec., -Canton 3rd Dec., Gen.-S. & Co. Swanley, Br. s.s., 2,988, W. E. Steele, 15th

Caming, Br. s.s., 1,350, A. Somerville, 4th Ded,-Manila 1st Dec., Gen.-B. & S. Takasaki Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,000, A. Mocker,

28th Nov. -- from Bombay and Singapore, Gen. - N. Y. K. Tibodus, Dut. s.s., 2,953, P. Zwart, 4th Dec., -Moji 29th Nov., Coal.-J. C. J. L. Triumph, Ger. s.s., 769, J. C. Hansen, 3rd

Dec,-Haiphong 27th Nov., and Hoihow oth Dec., It A.M. goth, Rice .- J. & Co Usher, Hr. s.s., 2,350, Perry, 27th Oct.,-Manila 23rd Oct., Ballast,—Master. Wongkoi, Br. s.s., 1,115, W. Reher, 4th Dec.,

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JO-MORROW.

St John's Cathedral 6th December, 2nd Sunday in Advent.

Holy Communion 7.30 a.m. Matins 11 a.m., (Full Choir), Responses: Ferial, Venite: Alcock, Psalms: of the 6th morning, Benedicite: Best in C., Jubilate: Goodson, Anthem: "Hearken unto me," Sullivan, %,

Holy Communion 12 noon, Kyrie: Barnby in E., Hymns: 51 and 169. N.B .- Psalm 30, Verses 1, 4, 7, 13 in unison. 31, , 1, 2, 9, 16, 17, 21, 22, 27

in unison Preacher: The Lord Bishop of Victoria. Evensong 5.45 p.m., Responses: Rerial, Paalms: of the 6th evening, (11), Magnificat: Turle (2nd evening), Nunc Dimittis: Felton, Hymns: 50, 217 and 27.

> St. Peter's Church. Queen's Road West, and Sunday in Advent.

Morning Prayer 11 a.m., Venite: Alcock, Psalms; Hayes, etc., Te Deum; Oakeley, Hymns; 62, 73, 529 and 230, Kyrie. Holy Communion 12:15 p.m.

Evening Prayer 6.30 p.m., Gloria; Magni-Ban Tek, Am. s.s., 329 Francisco Fabregas, 5th | ficat; Crotch, Nunc Dimittis; Savage, Hymns; 1 59, 75, 364 and 15, Kyrie.

The Church launch Dayspring will call on Manila 20th Nov., Ballast.—Basa & Co. ships carrying white crows to bring friends Ching, Am. s s., 3,186, D. E. Friele, 1st Dec., ashore to the services between 9.15 and 10.50 -San Francisco 3rd Nov., Honolulu 10th, a.m., and between 5.15 and 6 p.m., (Kowloon Yokohama 23rd, Kobe, 24th, Nagasaki Police Pier, 10.30 and 5 p.m.), returning after-26th, and Shanghai 28th, Mails and Gen. | wards. All the sittings are free and unappropriated. Visitors welcome." Books, &c., pro-

Sunday school 10 to 10.45 a.m.

Roman Catholio Cathedral:-- Mass at 6 a.m., 7 am., 8 a.m., and 9.30 a.m., Benediction, 5,30 p.m. Dec.,-Wakamatsu 19th Nov., and Naga- German Bethesda Chapel, West Point :---Morning Service, II a.m.

Devawongse, Ger. s.s., 7,057, F. Reilwaldt, 4th | Bt. Francis' Church, Wanchai :- Mass (CAIn), 6 a.m. (Port.), 7.30 a.m. Benediction, 5 pm. St Joseph's Church, Garden Road: - Morning Service (English), 10 a.m.

St Anthony's Chapel, West Point:-Mass, Quang Yen 29th Nov.; Limestone The Rosary Church, Kowloon-Every Sunday, Mass at 7.30 a.m. and Mass, followed

by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacra-Union Church .- Services, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Post Office.

In accordance with an instruction re ceived from the American Postal Authorities for the present the weight limit on parcels to America by the direct route has been altered from 11 lbs. to its old limit 4 lbs. 6 ozs.

Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dalny and Siberia :--11th December, at 11.00 A.M. 17th December, at 8.30 A.M. 25th December, at 10.00 A.M.

A Mail will close for :-Swatow-Per Halmun, 6th Dec., 9 A.M. Salgon-Par Hopsane, 6th Dec., 9 A.M. Swatow, Amoy and Tamspi-Per' Daljia, Maru, 6th Dec., 9 A.M. Swatow and Bangkok-Per Wonghoi, 6th

Macao-Per Sul Tal, 7th Dec., 1.15 P.M. Cabu and Iloilo-Per Huichow, 7th Dec., Shanghaj—Per *Hangsang*, 8th Dec., 10 A.M. Swatow, Amoy and Foochow-Per Haitan,

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Hakata Maru, 8th Dec., 5 P.M. Hollow and Haiphong-Per Singan, 9th Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco, (Will take letters Lemterger, N. to Europe marked via Siberia) - Per Monteagle,

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Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adeaide and Perth-Per Aldenham, 10th Dec.

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Manila, Zamboanga, Port Darwin, Thurrday

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Alacrity	despatch-vessel		4		Commander C. T. R. Fuller i	Hongkong
Astraea	cruiser, 2nd class	4,360	10	7,000	Captain F. H. C. Ryan	Hongkong
Bedford	cruiser, 1st class ;	9,800	74 - 4	72,000	Captain S., E. Erskine	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat, "		• •	900	1.tComdr Hon. R. O. B. Bridgeman	Shanghai
Britomart	river gunboat		0	900	Lieut. Commander F. B. Noble	Shanghai
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Cherub	water tank and tug			300	Master S. West	Hongkong
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National Bank of China, Limited	:: 99 ₁ 925	£7	₹6	\$150,000	\$10,223	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	•••	\$ 50	, ,
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,560,000 \$232,757 \$411,090	Done	St4 for 1907	72 %	\$195	
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Shipping. China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	52 5	\$1,323,941 \$7,000.	51,035	St for 1906	,.	\$14	
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$264,638 \$99,067	Nil.	121 for year ending 30.4.1908	1	S53 buyers	
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ld	80 ,000	Sig	\$15	\$150,000 \$187,500 \$81,766	\$17,755".	512 for first balf-year anding 20.5.08	81.2	S29} sellers	{
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ld. (Preferred) } Do. do. (Deferred)	60,000	£5	Ls	\$17,655 } {10,000 } {240,000 }	£13,755	{6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only ᢙ} ex 1/9 11/16=\$3. 154}	st X	{\$37 {\$17	
Shanghal Tug and Lighter Company, Limited Do. (Preference) "Shell" Trapsport and Trading Company, Limited	200,000 } 100,000 }	Tis. 50	Tis. 50 .		Tls. 14.510 £63,817	Interim of Tls. 15 for account 1908	77. 2	Tis. 45 buyers Tis. 51 soliers	
"Star " Ferry Company, Limited	F	012	Sro Sc	\$ 5,000 }	·	{ Si.co } for year ending (0.4.1908	\$ 4. %	48,- buyers \$24	
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Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	Tis. 50	1165, 50	Tls, 103,000 } Tls, 110,000 Tls, 17,142	Tis. 6 ,869 ~	Final of Tis. 21 making Tis. 5 for 1907	11 %	l'is. 45 sellers	
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	. 1100	\$100	\$32,538 }	Dr. \$279,171	\$8 for year anding 31.12.05	400	S112} buyers	
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000 7,000	\$100 Fls. 50	\$100 Tls, 50	\$56,848) none fils, 100,000	Dr. \$135 132 Tls. 9,173	Tis. 4 (8 %) for year ending 31.8.06	1	\$10 sollers Tis. 874 sollers	
Mining. Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ld	1,000,000	£1	Lı			[Final of 1/6 (coupon No. 11) for year end-]			
R sub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000 50,000	4	·8/10 £1	{ 17,,000 } £12,289 }	£11,556 Dr£2,191	t ing 29.2.08	78 %	Tis. 15% buyers	
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.		~~~~ -		£4,878		No. 12 of 1/2=48 chts			<u>,</u>
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited,	18,000	\$15	\$25	\$53,601	\$3,726	., \$1.75 r vear coding 31.11.36	••••	\$12	· -
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharland Godown Co., Ld.,	60,000	5 50	\$ 50	{ 50,000 } 526,806 }	\$3,556	Final of \$14 making \$34 for 1007	7 1 %	544 sellers	
Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company, Ld		\$50	\$;o Tis, 100	\$40,000)	1384,847	Interim of \$4 for account 1903	82 %	Sor sollers	
Shanghal and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	مسعند تنوند		l'is, 100	Tis, 1,000,000	Tls, 33,742		200	Tis. 79 buyers	
				Tls. 697,257 Tls. 75,000 Tis. 125,000	Tis. 22,626	Interim of Tis. 4 for account 1908	. 5€ X	Tls. 1421 buyers	1
Angio-French Land Investment Co., Ld	25,000 30,000	Tls. 100	Tis, 100 Sat	Tle econo	Tls. 6,531	Tis. 6 for 1907	6 %	Tls100	
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	50,125 12,000	\$15 \$50	\$25 \$15 "\$50	Tis, 25,000 \$30,000 \$1,000	Dr. \$4,370 \$9,178	S1.50 for 1906	, 1000 Fe	\$16 \$11 buyers	
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ld Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	50,000	\$100 \$10	\$100 \$ 10	\$648,975 } \$22,000 } \$250,000	514,639 \$36,915	Interim of 35 for account 1908	71.7	180 buyars 595 sellers	
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$ 50	\$30	\$217.426} \$50,000	\$4,621 \$653	SIE for 1907	7± % 6± %	\$91 buyers \$30 buyers	4
West Point Building Company, Limited	78,000 12,500	Tis, ço \$50	Tis. ço Sço	{Tis. 1,523,045} Tis. 170,000}	Tls. 107,547	Interim of Tis. 3 for account 1908	7 %	Tis. 116) buyers	-
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ld,				-допе	\$1,541	Interim of \$2 for account 1908	. 9 %	\$46	
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing) Company, Limited	15,000	Tis. 50 S 10	Tis. 50 Sio.	Tis. 150,000 } Tis. 45,939	Fls. 8,807 59 553	Tis. 28 for year ended 31.10.1307	31 % -	Tis. 67 sales \$10 sellers	·
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ld Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ld.		Tis. 25 Tis. 200	Tis. 75	\$20,000 Tis. 150,000	Tis, 85,519	Tis, 6 for year ended 30.9.06 (8 %)	•••	Tls. 55	
MISCELLAMEOUS.		ria, soo	Tis. (00	none Tia. 28,257	Tls. 50,005	Tis. 50 for 1906	***	Tis. 72) seliers Tis. 240 buyers	Ì
Ball's Asbestos Eastern Agenty, Limited	8,604 60,000	12/6	12/6		£648	1 10 par share for 1907=\$1.037	12 2	\$8 buyers	·
China Light and Power Company, Limited. Do. Do. special shares China Provident Loan & Morigage Company, Ld	50,000 } * 50,000 }	\$10} \$10}	\$10}	£1,500 \$25,000	11.13 8E1,193	51.20 for 1907	** **	\$11 \$5}	
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$10 \$7\$	\$1p \$6	5120,000	\$3,593	80 cents for 1907	81.2	\$9‡ buyers	Į,
Green Island Gement Company, Limited	400,000 12,000	\$10 \$10	\$10. \$10	\$10 1,000 \$8,000 \$12,000	\$48 \$5.078	Interim of 40 cents for account 1908	51 % "10 %	Szot sales Szo sellers Szo bonnes	
Hall & Holts, Limited	21,000 60,000	\$20 \$10	\$20 \$10	\$5,000	\$251 \$8,957	75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07	10 %	\$12 buyers \$20g buyers	
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ld. Maatschappij tot Mijn-, Bosch- en Landbouwex-?	5,000 60,000	\$25 \$10	\$15 \$10	2028 \$120,000	\$9,321 \$4,578	Si and bonns 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.08 Interim of \$1 for account 1907	81 %	\$18 buyers \$250 seliers	
Pask Tramways Company. Limited	25,000 (25,000		Gs. 100 S10}	none Tis. 547,500	18,191	Interim of Tis. 10 for 3rd quarter	5 1 %	Tis. 880 sellers (\$14	
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	\$10 \$10	\$1 \$ \$10	Tis. 27,603 }	\$7,471	So cents on fully paid shares and 6 cents on } Sr paid shares for year anding 10.4.08} None	. 2	\$ 52 \$ 52 \$ 58	
Shanghal Gas Company, Limited			Tis, 50	nons Tia 100,000	NIL Tie, 6,603	Final of Tls. 4 making Tis. 78 for 1907	64 %	Tis. 116}	[
Shanghal Waterworks Company, Limited	' '	Fis, 20 £20	£20	Tis. 24,820}	Tis, 8,493	Final of 115,9 making in all Tis. 14 for 1907		Tis. 1273 buyers Tis. 410	
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	6,000 20,000	\$25 5 5	\$25 \$ 5	2000	Tls. 58,132 Dr. \$90,237	None		\$74 sties \$5	1
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Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	(0,000	\$10	\$4	B088	\$1, 1 00	[So cents on 9,900 ord. shares and \$19.80 on] [100 Founders shares for yr. end. 31.5.07]	61 %	Srg buyers	
William Powell, Limited	000,000	\$20 \$7	\$10 \$7	\$500,000} \$25,000}	16.418	Interim of 30 cents a/c 1908	61 7	\$9 buyers	,
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MACKIE-GUTHRIR -At Christ Church, Co-STAWART, youngest, son of the late Dr. John done, the future, the commercial prosperity she will have her rights and who can blame introduction to a few concise observations that the good done, the future, the commercial prosperity she will have her rights and who can blame introduction to a few concise observations that the good done, the future, the commercial prosperity she will have her rights and who can blame introduction to a few concise observations that the good done, the future, the commercial prosperity is the will have her rights and who can blame introduction to a few concise observations. Mackie of Brechin, to Granwork Invine, of the Colony, depends on the acquirements her? The joke is that all ladies are beauti- on the prospect which will dawn when the out saying all Scotsmen pretend to be that youngest daughter of the late James Guthris of Hope Park, Broughty Ferry.

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is all very well to say that the really anxious

hand, instead of through an intermediary who generally fails to comprehend half the significance of the questions and answers he is called upon to interpret? (It would not be necessary for any magnanimous and public-A PROPOSITION FOR THE spirited individual to scatter his thousands in CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: promoting such a scheme. Indeed, the advent of the philanthropist would be a distinct nuis-(28th November.) ance, a blunder and perhaps a catastrophe. Reference was made in yesterday's issue The students should be able to fix up to the laudable efforts, which are being put matters for themselves-pay a moderate fee forth by old China hands in London to -(about as much as one pays for an ocinduce the rising generation of British mercasional launch trip)-and keep things going: chants in the Far East to acquire a working in a real spirit of camaraderie. As a matter knowledge of the Chinese language. of fact, the class or classes should partake most of us are aware, indeed as most of us of the nature of a club, the open sesame know from personal experience, the journey being the desire to learn Chinese. What from England to thina is brightened by distinction could be alleged against it in the roseate glamour of magnificent ideals, such a case? "To give a sordid illustration: principal among which is the determinaevery first-class hotel has a private room for tion to learn the Chinese language so that those who are technically known as gentlemen; we may speak to the native as a man there all meet on an equality, and curiously and a brother. Some of the newcomers enough, none but that special class seeks to to China manage for a time to live up invade the semi-sanctity of its precincts. to their original aspirations, but the en-Such a class or club as we have described ervating air of the Orient eventually works would be on exactly the same lines. And its way into the system and another slab is now let us see how the representative of the added to pave the nether regions. If it were British Association of Japan regards the possible, however, for those who are amscheme of educating Britishers in the verna-Intious to learn at least a smattering of the cular.' Speaking at the dinner of the China language in the company of their fellows Association last month, Mr. Sale remarked there cannot be the slightest doubt, in our that no bener commencement can be made, by opinion, that many an earnes' assistant the envoys of our commerce, towards acquire would be induced to attend the classes proing a facility for accommodation to new cirmoted, while even the flippant and vapid cuinstances, an insight into local conditions, an idler would find it worth his while to give access to the minds and hearts of the people. over his vagaries for a space. In Hongkong among whom they trade, than by securing a we have all sorts of fine ideas for benefiting knowledge of their language. The Japan the young. We have evening classes which, branch, recognising the importance of this are run at a dead loss to the community; we fact, has prepared a scheme covering a hear of a projected university which will also course of study, divided into six stages, sucadd to the burden of the Colony's taxation; cessfully passed. These certificates are not there is a medical school which turns out an only proofs of knowledge, but undeniable average of two or three qualified dispensers evidences of earnestness and industry. So or assistant physicians every year, and it far Mr. Sale. We ought to suggest that now also has to be supported by the Government Mr Hewett has truckled on his business which is another name for the long-suffering armour he might give a thought to the idea householder. But nothing is done, or sugof establishing a language class under the gested, for the benefit of the future comauspices of the Chamber of Commerce. mercial men of Hongkong, in the way of affording them an opportunity of acquiring FOIBLES OF THE PAIR SEX. even a colloquial knowledge of Chinese.

"How is it, we wonder, that the average student will equip himself with Chinese man, that is to say one who is neither a fop commerce, until they are roused into action grammars, Chinese lexicons and an assort nor a cheap imitation of a tailor's dummy, by the Imperial authorities. When they do ment of Chinese dictionaries, and that he takes such an absorbing interest in cases precive the order to wipe out a hest of will sit down in his lonely verandah and which arise over questions concerning ladies' pinctical gangs, they do so with an enthusiplod through meaningless deserts, along millinery? Let such a case, be reported- sem which is wholly admirable, the more so shadowy tracks, and through unknown fast. and if you notice they are always reported at | because it is very unlikely as a general rule nesses simply by force of innate enthusiasm. length, usually because the reporters are of that they will receive any kudos for their Certainly there are people who can do that the male sex and for once in a while com- action. But there are Service men who sort of thing, but they are few, and far he bine duty with pleasure-let there be such a recognise and study the affinity existing tween. We read of students who have learn- case brought into Court and we are all enter- between trade and the flag, particularly ed all they know by the glimmer of a peat | tained with details about ruffs and ruches, | Naval officers of superior rank and the men fire and of savants whose ability to speak in | passementerie and chiffon, waist lengths and | of the Royal Engineers, who come into a dozen tongues has been won by sheer dog. fichus, pleats, plats, and platters and other direct contact with civilian life as the resul gedness. But most of these ancients have pass- | words to the same effect. Few of those | of their labours in opening up new spheres of ed away to their long rest. There are mighty belonging to the masculine gender-have commerce. At a recent banquet in Lonfew of them alive to day. What we believe in the very faintest idea, what all these strange don, when Sir Gerard Noel was called it is a severe call on the imagination to beat the present time is competition, whether, bizarre things imply, but let the question upon to respond to one of the toasts; the it be in learning a language or selling an au- arise as to the merits of a directoire as com- worthy Admiral departed from the usua tomobile. Why then should there be no op pared with a princess and the most respect | custom of Naval men and actually referred portunity given to those who wish to have a l'able smoking-room will become a sort of to the future trade possibilities of Hongkong, working knowledge of the Chinese language rogues' parliament. Perhaps it is the mys. When the average Naval man begins to orale to attain that end? It may be suggested | tery which surrounds the top-dressing of the | it is, generally possible to tell in advance | that the young Britishers who come out to ladies that excites the curiosity of the male, what he will say. He will refer to the the Far East should attend the evening being. It has been recorded, by one of the glorious deeds of Drake and Nelson, and by classes, otherwise known by the grandiloquent | sex, that a lady can wrap herself up in seven- | degrees proceed to criticise the policy of the title of the Hongkong Technical Institute. teen different rolls of cloth variously put to- Government with regard to the building of But is it to be expected that the smart young gether, and yet look like a sylph. If a man battleships, the two power standard, the Englishman or Scotsman will consent to take puts on a single winter waistcoat he stands it readnought, and other matters which his place alongside a pack of schoolboys and forth as a second edition of a London have been discussed ad nauseam, winding reduce himself to the level of the first stan- alderman, and all bis friends consider it up with the consoling assurance that Britain dard? All pride and ridiculous grandeur it their duty to make nasty remarks on his is Mistress of the Sea and Britons never shall will be said. It may be so, but how would a appearance. Give the average man a fancy be slaves. The trick is easily learnt, and it student, who has presumably arrived at the pair of boots, a red vest, a velvet coat and a lies been cultivated with such assiduity for years of discretion, feel if he were "called pair of three button gloves and you can years that nobody expects anything else. So ling a dour, self-contained, supercitious sort down" by an irascible teacher in front of a creatise what a criminal looks like when he that when an Admiral of the calibre of Sir class of youths because his quantities were is on the march to the scaffold. Not so the Gerard Noel, who was not long since the false and his accent absurd? It may then gentle sex, whose tricks and charms are Commander-in-Chief of the China squadron, be argued that the Y.M.C.A. should take never seen to greater advantage than when dives apologetically into trade matters, reathe matter in hand. Well, the Y.M.C.A. they have rifled a millinery store. What ders begin to wonder whether our handy may be a very useful and even valuable in- with lace here and flummery there, and men are adding a new leaf to their book of treme. For say what you will, the Scot what ever stitution where every prospect pleases and side-kicks at nothing and sweeping of street instructions. When Admiral Noel was on not even man is vile, but there are a good garbage, they resemble mostly a mass of the China station piracies on the West and many people who are not enamoured of the ethereal fluff, which it is highly dangerous Pearl Rivers were matters of everyday ocways and doings of the Y M.C.A., who object to touch. The man looks on in amazement currence. Even vessels flying the British to the titile tattle that goes on there, the and has grave doubts about Solomon's flag and officered by Britishers were atcliqueism which is said to abound, and glory, incidentally wondering what the tacked, and in one case in particular the spirit of self-glorification which is Queen of Sheba wore when she was doing the captain, mate and engineer only esbelieved to hang around the place. The the fascinating act. But let that same caped with their lives by a miracle, fact of the matter is, that if such classes nymph, all strings and tassels, tinsel and tacks, while a medical missionary was killed. thick with the broad doric of the Hieland as those inaugurated in London and discover that there is a joint loose some. Things became so had and the inactivity of operating in Japan were started in Hong- where and then the entente cordiale is at an the Chinese Provincial authorities so flagrant is a mystery to the new recruit from the old kong they should be held either under the end. As it is, a woman getting into her and exasperating that Great Britain, tired of regis of the Chamber of Commerce or the toggery requires the assistance of ten quali- fulsome promises of reform, took over the local branch of the China Association; and fied experts, including the predatory cat—as | control of the Canton delta and policed the admission should be confined to British and those men who are taking their better halves rivers with such effect that the freebooting if he opens his mouth and happens jocosely European mercantile, assistants who should to the St. Andrew's Ball on Monday will find gentry found it advisable to evacuate their to say "Hoo's a' wi' ye?" to find that all have to pay a fee sufficient to cover all out-and she must have the absolute old haunts and pursue their neferious trade the world seems to be made up of Scotsmen their coffee; then they wanted water to drink expenses, so that the ratepayers would not run of a ten-acre park, in order to on land. The worst of it was that the and a few other nationalities. Of course, it got all sheen things they demanded was the part of the contribute a single contribute as single co be required to contribute a single copper. pick up the scattered hairpins. The Naval men carried out their instructions so is pardonable to say this on St. Andrew's It will be said, perhaps, that this is another, poor male creature may find himself strenuously and well that the authorities at Day because it will please the Scots and it hippy unless they had water perpetually under form (Colass distinction, but we maintain it is relegated to a cellar with a collar Whitehall arrived at the conclusion that the doesn't do anybody else any harm. Besides, not. The youth of the Colony, born and bred | a size too small and no stude, but he can | mosquito flotilla attached to the China in the Colony, have their schools and institutes only grow purp'e and vent his anger on squadron was far too large for the work of and what not. The Government officials have | the sympathetic dog. Fancy that man have patrolling the rivers and safeguarding British their special allowances and opportunities for | ing once encased himself in his blacks, | trade from Canton to Cheloo, and accordlearning the language of the country. The | marching off to the tailor, yelling out vitu- | ingly a portion of the smaller craft was put on Nov. 30, by the Rev. J. H. France, ALEX- police and the sanitary inspectors are en- perative epithets and dragging him by the lout of commission. The admiral in re-ANDER SELLEBOLD. I. W. Customs, Amoy, to couraged to devote their spare time to the head in front of the nearest lerring to this fact remarked. "I was seacquisition of Chinese by the promise of magistrate, simply because there was a gusset riously distressed when, just before I left the monetary, rewards, and nearly every class, or something where it should not be. He station, they removed a large number of my except the ordinary "clerk in ta offish," is couldn't do it-not for an old-age pension small craft. I am thankful to say several of offer each other when no "foreigner" is

he trouble. In a case which occurred and in connection with the large area of the assertion as they believe, in abother way, he other day a Hongkong lady ordered wo dresses one fitted her the other didn't. Mr. Justice Compertz had the pleasure of hearing the arguments. pro and con and we fancy they were mostly con, because the lady. was the defendant, having refused to pay for the dress that wouldn't fit. Now, we auxiously read that report, hoping that the Court would prden the lady, in a friendly spirit, to sinct is sadly lacking in our only puisne been there with a committee of ladies from | China. Leaving that a kside, it may be the "Country Girl" and as a set-off a few

ADMIRAL NOBL ON HONGKONG'S TRADS.

It is a notorious fact that, with a few

praiseworthy exceptions, ministers of religion

and members of the Services know practi-

cally nothing about trade, or trade require-

ments. From the ministerial point of view

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treat for nothing.

the idea that anybody should work for the filthy lucre to be gained by successful business deals is repugnant to their highlystrong and spiritual nature, unless it takes the form of handsome donations to th innumerable charities which our reverend friends manage somehow or another to create. The Service men on the other hand are so deeply concerned with the disciplining of their commands that they seldom have the time to devote to the actical exigencies of provided for. And, when all is said and and a race dinner combined. But the lady, them have been replaced." That was his night. Parenthetically it may be remarked.

railway communication throughout the in the Shorter Catechism. The Scotsman Southern part of China, Hongkong will who ridiculed the idea that Shakespeare was have an extraordinary revival." It would on a par with Robbie Burns because Robhave been decidedly interesting if the bie would never have been guilty of such Admiral, once he had plunged into the an absurdity as to say "Uneasy lies the question of trade, had offered his opinion head that wears a crown" is a type. Everyregarding the future of Canton and the body knows that kings hang their crowns portuof Whampoa, but it may be that he on the bed post before they go to sleep and felished not the idea of raising an extremely no Scotsman, least of all Burns, would have assume" the misfit garment or gar lents. | controversial subject at a banquet, even committed such a solecism as that attribut-But Mr. Gompertz has no moral backbone | although the majority of those present were | ed to the English Bard. But with all their apparently; he qualled at the prospect of cither actively or passively interested in the pride and glory and knack of making themsuggesting that the lady should disfigure her- | enlarged views of the authorities in South | selves useful; the average Scot is not half self by wearing a mislit. The dramatic in- China to vitalise Whampon, in order that so black as he is painted by his enemics. the port may regain something of its old It is true he is on friendly terms with the judge; if only Mr. Mowbray Northcote had reputation as the shipping entrepot of South | de'll-whom he satirizes whenever he gots a assumed that Admiral Noel was not speaking, if he were speaking of a long-lost brother, the pleaders attached to the Christian | in pedantic English when he referred to the not irreverently but father with the honest Science Society and a couple of female | "revival" of Hongkong's commerce, because | familiarity which comes from long pondering Adjerican missionaries what a time we should | although it has to be admitted that depress | over the Word by his forbears. Who but a have had. But it is not yet too late. So I sion exists, there is nothing to alarm the Scotch minister would attempt to explain to far as we can make out, the tailor has to cautious trader. At the same time if the the Almighty the meaning of the theological make good his defects and then next Friday | railway were completed and regular goods | terms he occasionally uses in the course of the Supreme Court is to be turned into a trains running to the capital of the two his interminable prayers? And yet that Parlsian solon. If that is to be the case Kwang it is certain that a spurt would be idea of giving confidence for confidence well' and good, but if Mr. Gompertz thinks | given to the natural enterprise of Hongkong' | may be heard in any Presbyterian church in he can take the contending parties into his merchants, who would take advantage of the Scotland on any Sunday. So the Scotchown room and gaze on the witchery of the brightening prospects and lag no longer in people, having staked out a large portion of Chinese tailor's art enhanced by the de- the rear, waiting for better times to be re- the earth for themselves, and having given! fendant's "carriage," then there will be ruc- | vealed before committing themselves to the | the devil his due and a bit over, and having tions, not to say squalls. The performance | exploitation of fresh undertakings. Sir Gerard | made satisfactory arrangements with regard must take place in open court, and the hour. Noel dwelt on the advance which China to their heavenly mansions are inclined to should be advertised for the benefit of the would make when the network of cross- feel that they are entitled to all the down-trodden proletariat who seldom get a country railways was an accomplished fact. praise that is coming to them. And in How many in that gathering sat wondering | honouring St. Andrew they justly feel they to themselves if the railway schemes would | are honouring themselves. To-night, St. ever be completed, or completed in their time? What do we know about the Kowloon-Canton railway for instance. Now and again | people while they pledge his health in rumours gain currency as to the work in their peculiar fashion-which means rivers connection with the tunnel and an occa- of barley bree and mountains of linggissional glimpse is given of the progress made, and no doubt the old saint will rejoice that the direction of Sam Chun nobody outside the | in his day. And, now, what about St. George charmed circle of officialdom has the slight- and St. Patrick?. One was a dashing way of excavating would the shareholders based on false premises. rise up and call him blessed? Not only is the work in connection with the Kowloon section of the railway a sealed-book, but it in the scheme and would not trouble their heads about it at any price are hustled away may be-as if they were rascally traitors to their

is stated that visitors who have no interest from the scene of operations-wherever that. country and unmitigated vagabonds. However. Admiral Noel seems to think that all is few other centres of interest; but is it not well and we sincefely trust he is right, although | significant that the police authorities invariably lieve that all these underhand doings and mysterious concealments bear no significance. Everybody is saying that China is moving; would that the British interests in South China move a little less spas-

ST. ANDKEW IN HUNGKONG.

Few patron saints are remembered so jealously as the meek and mild St. Andiew, whose bones are interred on the bleak coast of auld Scotia. But why recognition of the Saint's labours should take the form of high revelry, including jorums of mountain dew, it is difficult to say, It is just possible that the average Scot becan express his sentiments on occasions of importance is to unbind the thongs of his inordinate pride and rush to the opposite exunbend, and then only in the company of his ain folk, so to speak. People in Hongkong should know something about the men of the hills and the heather, for the Colony is overrun by caterans of the North and Borsome four millions, and yet if one travels to is a vain creature, when you reach, down to the bedrock of his nature. He is proud, certainly, but his national vanity is colossal, and if he is a good Scot he will not seek to deny it, because he is well assured that he is the sait of the earth and everybody clac stands in awe of his descent and his nobility. Take for example the toast which Scotsmen' of Commerce took up the matter. Is there man feels respectable unless he is dressed the quarter deck : "If I may say a few words of pedantic courtesy." The toast goes to the a member so poor or so narrow minded and like a vagationd. And so the lady goes to lon the commercial aspect, I hold that one effect to Here's to porsels; wha's like the short sighted that he would not of his own Court, with the tailor in tow and the mise of the most important things for British frome say, "There's name like us want should the foce fall to reach a satisfactory, day coll hope be quiet and how should be the second of
chance—but then he refers to the creator as Andrew will appear resplendent in his robes with his own particular cross, to cheer his but what the construction gang is doing in at allevents he was no sour visaged mendicant est idea. Yet it is our money that is being cavalier and the other a Scotch broth of a thrown into the mud on which the unstable | bhoy, but they seem to be utterly ignored so bridges and ricketty rails are being built. | far as Hongkong is concerned. St. Andrew and it might be thought that we are entitled | represents the whole bunch, to use an to a monthly report at least of how matters | Americanism, and his adherents are usually are proceeding. If this railway were be- successful in making his anniversary the reding constructed by a limited liability letter day of the year. Perhaps it is just as company is it to be believed that the well that only one of the saints gets: the shareholders would be content with the kudos he deserves, for if the tale went scrappy and unintelligible reports which abroad that after the celebrations in honour, are handed out with all the solemnity of a of the English and Irish patrons the "wor-Papal Bull? If the manager of Raubs was shippers" saw dragons and snakes, the to say that the investors in that concern had l'uritanical members of the community no right to learn what was being done in the might be led to make absurd deductions

WANCHAPS BRAUTY CORE.

(1st December.)

Wanchai has a wonderful reputation for producing effects which are calculated to interest and amuse the rest of the community. Perhaps there are some people who, in the hutly-burly, h ve not observed this characteristic of the district which embraces the racecourse and a place in charge of the district an inspector whose nerves and practical nature cannot be moved a single volt, even if all the hobsoblins and spirits in the nether regions were to make their bow before him? Take for instance Inspector Fenton, who is of course a douce chiel of a Scotsman, does any joker think that he could be roused out of his normal ca'm? It is quite on the cards that he would arrest Mephistopheles himself and then give him a sound thrashing for trying to spit fire and brimstone. As a matter of fact, it needs a man of plain, sane and humorsome ideas to tackle such a mixter-maxier of a district as Wanchai. We have said that the people there are always affording sport for the benefit of the "slow" coaches" who live in other parts of the city. It was only the other day that it battle royal took place between a coolie and a ram-gost, the honours sesting with the goat. Then there was the burglar who ounthe verge of being of individual, who usually prefers to keep a captured, fling all the available garments into calm sough, fancies that the only way he the street and dived after them from the top of a three-storied house. The Wanchai people nonchalantly said -" What were the clothes worth?"; other people asked "Was the burglar killed?" Again when a gambling raid was made on some house "boys" living in the his station, is a proud and aughty person, the locality in question a sergeant of police reprouder because he seldom allows himself to | mained on guard on the footpath. Three of the gamblers made a rush for the window when the bluecoats appeared and one after another felt head first on the cranium of the bard-headed. Scot on duty. Locidentally only Scotsmen are sent to pairol Wanchas, breauss they are loss liable to imaginative flights than the Celts der reivers, and the night air is generally from the "distbressful country". The three gamblers thought they had made mincement of the rergeant and were only convinced of their error when paraded in front of the general inspector. Then, again, nobody can forget the wails, that have periodically proceeded from Wanchai and East Point on the the Far East by way of Canada he is bound, scarcity of water. One would think that Wanchai was a sort of Sahara, where water brought a fabulous price, First they wanted water for it must not be forgotten that the Caledonian | chai it is sumoured that the entire neighbourhood turns out en masse to view the spectacle." and bewail the loss of the good fluid while the children fill themselves, up at the streams dalif. they can hardly stand. That is known as the water cute and much money is thereby saved over the purchase of castor oil and black d sught. Now, it seems, the grumblurs at the East End actually want water to wash themselves in. At least that is the only moral which can be drawn from the story related in the Police Court yesterday by the poor old woman, aged 64. who admitted that she had gone unwashed for, the last six years and was now determined to du penauce in this way for the remainder of of the next generation of merchants, Let ful whether the Valenciennes is in order railway from Kowloon to Canton is opened. never recites the time-honoured health when her life. His Wash up on the beach was not us suppose for a moment, that the Chamber or not, but they won't believe it, whereas no The quotation is as succinct as an order on a stranger is present because he is the essence particularly generous to the old lady, who lay Mortison Hill. It was a pathetic story she had to sell and it must have gone to the heart of

grapy reader who has the slightest modicion of

aymouthy in bis mature. Remember we all

of all eyes." Her beauty had gone when the over her tair and lovely countenance, and the faith to water. But resolute in her self-abnegasignation, that he should be fumigated. Such stroyers, and a flotilla of submarines. is man's inhumanity to woman. Is there not a beautiful and deficite finality about her onswer-a naivete perfectly childlike-to the question why she would not wash, herself?" "What is the good of me washing myself when I can't get a husband?" Yet was that the real reason, think you? Not a bit of it. Bhe was resolved that so far as she was concerned the good and worthy citizens of Wanchai should not be robbed of their full daily supply, and so she voluntarily offered, herself as a victim of Gircumstances.

THE EMPRESS-DUWAGER'S PRIVY PORSE. (2nd December.) Who would have believed that the estate of the late Empress-Dowager of China only amounted to the comparatively small sum of twenty million dollars, or less than two million pounds sterling? Nevertheless that is the estimate which the Prince Regent is believed. to have made, and it is suggested that the estate of the late Emperor is even less. Where have all the hundreds of thousands of taels which were regularly remitted by the Provincial Governments disappeared to, and-what has become of the enormous sums presented to Her Majesty on her birthday and other special occasions when officials deemed it advisable to curry favour by gifts of, hard cash? There | Shanghai leaving, however, the position unalis not a stagle viceroy in the Chinese Empire who has not emptied his coffers into the lap | nor il any precedent laid down for similar of the avaricious ruler, who knew how to tight. on the strings which held the realm together. The most insignificant official was not ignored when he gathered together a respectable amount which could swell inc Imperial Treasury, and the mandarinate knew only too well that the tween the shipper and the shipping company tenure of their office and the probability of advancement depended mainly on their ability to propitiate the Thione by the remittance of ready money. It cannot be depied that before the monetary presents reached their destination, the higher officials had their pickings, but even the Grand Councillors would have thought twice before they handed over to the imperious Dowager a miserable pittance as the semblance of some have been published of the magnificent donations by private individuals to the exchequer | condenser discharge pipe had been negligent] reserved for the Royal Family at Peking, and left open. As the result of the sinking, the it is not to be disputed that wealthy merchants | cargo which had already been stored away was and officials who, were in a position to squeeze i damaged, particularly a consignment of cigaret effectively the districts under their control have I tes which had been sent aboard by the Britishbeen quietly informed that it would be for the benefit of their health and the promotion of accident almost to, the very day an action their interests if they could possibly manage to was brought in H.B.M. Court at Shangaugment the funds at the direct disposal hai at the instance of the Tobacco Co. of the Throne. Now, it is rediculous to believe that twenty million dollars represents the Railway Co. "on an implied warranty of seg--- residue left after the personal, tastes of the Empress-Dowager had been satisfied, receive the plaintiff's cargo of cigarettes." The So far as outsiders are aware, the pro-livry's findings as summarised by the Court ditections of Her Mejesty for amusements and diversions were not of a very expensive char- | 41 a.m. at about which time the shipping of the acter. Far too much depended on her personal attention to matters of state importance to permit of any abnormal indulgence in fantastic pleasures. We read that the Empress Dowager kept a pleasure pavilion where pleasure boats were held in readiness to suit the convenience of the Imperial party and that the upkeep of this establishment necessitated the expenditure of large sums annually. That is surely a very lame excuse to account for the moderate estate left behind. If the for the Supreme Court now was, "How ought Empress had been in the habit of galliyan. ting round the Provinces in search of entertainment there is a possibility that the initial cost of the journeys might have been exceedingly alarming, but even then the magnates honoured by the visit of the Imperial entourage would have been compelled to de- burden of proof was on the plaintiff and had Chief fustice considers himself an ill-used per- in the works of Annie Swan and Marie Corellie, the space existing between one incident and just as the Dalai Lama has been living in the suggestion that the Carron Park case was writing judgments that make the Scriptures look | degenerate appetites on the pessimistic fate matters of serious import wise, and if we were fuxury on the sweat-carned savings of the peasantry. Is it conceivable that officials like the late Li Hung chang, or Yuan Shih-kai, Chang ! Chih-tung and our friend Shum did not con- duty is fulfilled when he has provided a ship day shows the Chief lustice in a curiously, is that they drown the voices, of the said on the subject. But at this time, when tribute millions to maintain the Imperial fit to receive the cargo at the commencement petulant mood, crying for the moon and disaptheirs. Then there is a Valhalla, or what the nation, however seemly and patient it may Household, even where no compulsion was of the act of loading that cargo. In regard to pointed because he is only offered a half share ever it is called, in New York where the outwardly appear, is being rocked by urderexercised and no urgent need for gratuitous the burden of proof the jury had not answered in the luminary. First, he begins by placing a glorious dead have statues reared to their ground avencies which are entirely beyond the thank-offerings apparent? And still if we are the material question, what proportion of the wrong interpretation on the Governor's state- memory, the only difficulty being to decide who control of the governing class, it is wall to conto believe all we hear, the estate of the all- cigarettes had already been shipped when the powerful and actual ruler of China for a quarter versel became unseaworthy? For these rea- third judge for the Appeal Court, and when His out as a spurious imitation of the really great. I steat ferment among the people on the mainof a century has dwindled to the paltry sum of | sons he thought judgment could not be entered twenty million dollars; an amount which an for the defendants. That settled the defendants, through the back door by saying that even the with a Herr Fund, and if the old country cannot an unfortunate Chinese, passenger died from Oriental severeign could dissipate on insipidi- and the question now arose whether the plaintiff ties in a few days. As for the Emperor's estate | was entitled to judgment. His Lordship hold that | "entirely at variance with the traditions of the | enficient to swallow up all the money that Mr. on the way to Conton the other day. We all of a few millions—some vernacular papers aver judgment could only be entered for the plain. Bench." The Chief Justice then complains that | Carnegie is prepared to devote towards this | know the prejudice which the most insignifi that it does not exceed ten millions—the quest tiffs if the jury having found the ship to be sea- His Excellency, like Sir Matthew Nathan, found | object, then Socialism has done its world. Mr. | cant, and, irresponsible, hewer of word, and tion becomes still more inexplicable. The worthy at it a mi and had further found that at | thegeneral opinion to be that except for purposes | Carnegie, however, is not what might be des- drawer of water entertains against those subor-Emperor was a weakling, and a nonentity; he some time before the shipping of the Appeal Court a third judge is not immediate a fault. He has hedged dinate officials who by season of their position never had the chance of finging his pocket- was finished the ship had become unseaworthy, distely required. What says the Chief Justice in his Hero Fund with certain restrictions, are compelled to exercise the modicum of anmoney about like a modern rouf; he could and if the law was that such unseaworthiness to that? He knows the one familiar with the Baille who presented a halfpenny therity they possess, in order to perform the serhardly call his soul his own, and it is cer- occurring before a continuous shipment had working of the Court who is of that opinion." to a boy with the injunction that the money vice for which they have been engaged. It was a tain that if he had attempted to emulate | been completed related back to the commencethe fashionables and bloods of his caste he ment, of the act of shipping and rendered the Justice obtained confirmation of his views but Carnegie is a lover of the fand, having had to carry out when he was required to colwould have been quickly brought to beel by the ship unseaworthy ab initio. But the jury did we fancy that if a plebiscite were taken it acquired his riches from the bowels of the leet the passengers' tickets, and we can well dominant power. It was not unusual for him. I not so find, nor did that seem to be the law. even when he had reached manhood, to be Now comes the point which will interest shippers lawyers and litigants alike, were on the side of shall belong to the landgrobbers, who are nature of his work. The realisation of that summarily locked up in his apartments when and shipowners slike. The law as it appeared he committed minor indiscretions, and al- to the judge seemed to be that "the ship must | Chief Justice's first eletter is the most illu- earthly superiors. So far as it gots the ides of unheeded semarks which under other circumtogether, his opportunities of acting the gay and | be seaworthy for the reception of each package debonair princeling were smaller than those of as it is carried on board." That is an extraor- Government would show some slight con- helots are worthy of recognition, but when it is inconceivable that alone among a crowd of the meanest subject in the Middle Kingdom, | diparily fine point and in our opinion cannot be At the same time he was not forgotten when accepted as morethan a simple obiter dictum. Is the presentation season was in full swing, and it to be assumed from that deficition when His Excellency wrote to certainly something radically wrong. Ap. passenger in full view of his compathiots, The as one who was thrifty by compulsion be must the last package is placed on board while the Have accumulated quite a fortune, as fortunes ship is in a seaworthy condition, the ship own- | justice will remained moder the errobeous im- | blm do not believe that there is such a thing as | ness, legged on by parties who may have are understood in monarchical circles. But lers are not responsible for any loss that may according to those who have constituted he sustained by the consignors, or is it that the such apparent ill success, sudpayoured to re- out, delapidated, ready-made hind of herotem themselves his executors, the Son of Heaven shippers are galy, entitled to damages to the move that the Government is disposed to show which does not count and supposed to show the supposed to show which does not count and supposed to show the supposed to show

comfortably in bed if we know that she lorgans, and up to date Valballas Say that the couldn't get water in which to wash berself, total, value of the personal estate of the late even her face? this old woman, of 64 Empress-Downger and the Emperor combined years, discovered when she was only to realises thirty million dollars, what secret that water was scarce in Hongkung, scarcer | methods have been adopted to dispose of the than lemonade and other decoctions. So rather | remrinder? It could not have van shed withthan despoil her poighbours she generously fout leaving some trace of its whereabouts, and windrew from the fierce competition which who should know better what has become of rages daily at Wanchai when the water-taps be- I it than the Grand Councillors? The Prince Regin to run. In her cagerness to benefit society | gent, it is reported, proposes to devote the enshe forgot that her beauty was liable to suffer live sum towards the creation of a navy for and it was not until her admirers withdrew China. What sort of a navy can be gathered one after another, hid behind barrels when shot together for at matter of Lacoppoo? Great approached and crawled under the wharl when Britain pays more than that for two battleships her dainty and lissom figure blotted out the __the Dreadhought and Lord Nelson having horizon, that she realised the sad truth. Her cost £1,600,000 each. But of course, if China anselfishness had been her undoing. No limits herself to gunboats and torpedo boats longer were the beaux of Wanchai chasing she might acquire a flotilla of mosquito craft her with sealed proposals of immediate marris which would suffice to patrol effectively age; no longer was her life made a burden the great estuaries along the South and by the unseemly and disgracolul brawls which | East coasts and prove of infinite service in occurred between rival Lotharios outside her, time of trouble. Might we interject here the cabin dopr; no longer was she "the cynosure I remark that if the resolution of the Prince Rerent and his advisers is adopted, there is a first accumulation of Wanchai mud spread itself | possibility that the work of constructing at least a portion of this flotills might be obtained dimples which hypnotised the susceptible youth by the Hongkong and Whampon Dock Comof the praya and the gup had taken a long last | pany, provided the directors take time by the look at the world and disappeared. It is a foretack. Quoting from a summarised report touching tale, for there can be no question in the Navy League Annual on the Chinese about it that if this spartan lady had decided Navy, "The Ministry, of War recently sent to to forego her resolution she might "even then, | all the viceroys and governors of provinces a when she first made the overwhelming dis- long report to be read before it is laid before covery that she was reaching the passe stage at | the Emperor. The project set forth by this railway speed, have brought to their knees report is that China's navy shall be divided into those errant wooders, who still pinned their three fleets-namely those of Pe-yang, Nanvang and Yuet-yang. Each of these navaltion she stuck by her principles and sacrificed divisions will consist of one first-class battle. herself on the altar of pure aqua. When the ship, one or two first-class cruisers, four police brutally suggested that she should in- or five second-class cruisers, six fourthdulge in a bath she nearly fainted, and flopped | class cruisers, a flotilla of gunboats, a fieet will have its own stations; the Northern first will have stations at Chefoo, Tientsin, and Taku: the Middle ficet will be stationed at Sem-men-wan and Chusan, and the Southern fleet at Canton and Youl-ling-kong. Every naval station will be in charge of a commander, who will be responsible for the drilling of the crews and for the cruises. The commanderin-chief of the float will have his headquarters. at Nan-yang. The vessels forming the present Chinese Navy will be put to other uses." So much for the Navy in posse. But we have not yet got to the bottom of the declarations that the joint estate of the Empress-Downger and Emperor is only worth thirty millions, or how the vast sums collected from the Provinces and from individuals have Been dissipated. Probably, we shall never know where the money went to. All we wonder now is, How will Emperor Pu-yi, the successor to Kwang-Hsu, manage to exist now that it is proposed to deplete the Imperial exchequer to the last farthing?

> SUME IMPORTANT POINTS FOR SHIPPERS AND SHIP

OWNERS. One of those curious cases which puzzle and baille jurists and laymen alike has just been "decided" in the British Supreme Court at tered, so that neither side can claim a victory actions in the future. The case is of importance because it deals with a problem which bound to arouse much discussion in shipping. circles and may have the effect of leading to an amendment in the agreement arranged be-To carrier. It will be within the recollection of readers that in October last year a curious accident beself the Empress of China, when she sank "at the wharf at Vancouver while receiving cargo for the Orient. At the time it was believed that the accident was no accident at all, but the deliberate act of certain foreigners who might have had some animus that the accident was due to the fact that th I claiming damages from the Canadian Pacific worthiness, i.e that the ship should be fit to were. '1.-That the ship was seaworthy about cigarettes was commenced. 2 .- That the ship was unseaworthy and in imminent danger at 3.30 p.m. when the shipping of the cigarettes was about finished but the jury cannot say that the last case of cigarettes was on board. 3 -That they cannot say whether the ship became unseaworthy before the completion of the shipping of the cigarettes; they do not understand enough about ships to say the moment when she became unseaworthy. The question fudgment to be entered on these findings?" It was claimed by counsel for the defendants that judgment should be awarded his clients strative and judicial heads of the Colony it because they had provided a ship which would not be at all improbable if the trifling

haps the delay ar sulting from the accident to a lyour Excellency's consteous atomious." The lower cuticle and save a shipland of pas concent punishment of the ticket collector who had the ther light on the subject, but as it stands the case is a distinct and interesting problem for

ARN LOTTERING INSHANGHAT

Some time ago we called attention to the fact that although the yarn lottery system nitiated by the yarn dealers in Japan had been frustrated so far as dealings in Hongkong were concerned by the action of the Government, it was an open secret that the scheme was being pushed for all it was worth in Shanghai. We also, expressed astonishment that the Municipal authorities in the Northern Settlement should blink their eyes to this illegitimate and repreviolently into the arms of a lukong, who after- flotilla of transport ships and despatch- hensible method, of interfering wit wards demanded, under threat of instant re- boats, with flotillas of torpedo-boats and de- trade, and suggested that steps should be taken to stamp out this deplorable practice not merely for the benefit of honest yarn dealers but also for the benefit of those Chinese whose natural bent for lotteries and gambles would be increased tenfold were the 'cute' machinations of the Japanese allowed to continue. As a matter of fact the system of prizes as originated by certain of the Japanese yarn exporters was reprobated by the best members of their own fraternity in Japan. We learn that whether acting on the advice of the Telegriph or other antagonist to this lottery system a Shanghai ratepayer furnished certain information to the Municipal Council—as if they needed to be wakened up to see what was going on under their noses-and showed specimens of lottery tickets sold with the bales of cotton yarn imported from Japan. The Council thereupon addressed a letter to the Japanese possible for His Honour to curtail the length of in which the secretary, Mr. T. W. Moore, the most turbulent city outside the Balkans, Consul-General at. Shanghai inquiring whe- his judgmen's, and follow the example of the submitted the case f'r the officers and men of The display of supreme and conscious rectifude; ther these operations had his sanction, and otherwise desiring an expression of his opinion on the subject. The members of the Municipal Council, it was stated, were unanimous in the view that this mode of competition was prejudicial to legitimate trade, and that every effort should be made to suppress the lottery, either by the taxpayers of Hongkong where that wealth is to interests of humanity, we would submit that day no hanky-panky tricks to bewilder; and, prosecution of the concerned, or otherwise, Part of the letter to the Consul-General was in the following explicit terms: "The Council has given public notice that the concealment of lottery tickets in bales of -yarn constitutes-an-infraction of the-prohibition rules against lotteries in the Settlement, and before undertaking the Police prosecution of the concerned. I have the honour to inquire whether you are aware of the operanumerous mutual admiration societies, in Hougkong. The theme is rich in variety and tions, and what view you take as to their desirability or the reverse. It is at all times the Council's endeavour where possible to not so much against the boat as against the C. Obviate preferential treatment of any class of financial consideration. Time and again reports. P. R., the owners. It was discovered, however, residents in the Settlement, and the suppress prove conclusively that each and every one of sive measures which have been applied to us resident in Hongkong is a hero in his own native lotteries during recent years would fail in their object were a lottery of the present character allowed to function with impunity. The reply of the Consul-General to the American Tobacco, Co. A year after the Council's note was bright, brief, but by no means brotherly. It ran: "I beg to inform you that the coupons to which you refer are given away and are not sold. I am therefore unable to see any objection to this

> THE TIFF BETWEEN HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

method of doing business. Art. XXXIV. of

the by-laws of the Municipal Regulations,

refers to the sale of lottery tickets or

chances in lotteries.". And as far as we can

remember there the matter rests. A little

bluff goes a long way now and then:

(3rd December.)

The tiff between His Excellency the Govera third judge for the Supreme Court has not yet been bridged over and from the correspondence which has passed between the adminihas left behind him an amount considerably amount of the loss sustained on the packages so consideration towards yourself, the Chief siderice; because the moment suggest the table to consideration towards yourself, the Chief siderice; because the moment suggest the table to consideration towards yourself, the Chief siderice; because the moment suggest the table to consideration to the loss sustained on the packages so consideration towards yourself, the Chief siderice; because the moment suggest the table to the loss sustained on the packages so consideration to the loss sustained on the packages so consideration to the loss sustained on the packages so consideration to the loss sustained on the packages so consideration to the loss sustained on the packages so consideration to the loss sustained on the packages so consideration to the loss sustained on the packages so consideration to the loss sustained to the loss sustained on the packages so consideration to the loss sustained to the loss susta less than Mr. Andrew Carpegier annually die. damaged od board ! If the latter than the ship plantively replied that "I can only say | see in ship like are before in any case and it they who signed the polition, which was presented perses for the erection of free libraries, church I see would have not great great experience does not bear out I do harden to force the juristic of the Canton, Maria calling
purposes of taxation.

....ARE_BKIIISH_SEARARERS... HE' OKS!

.What is a hero? would make a capital te

for some of the leading tub-thumpers at the

replete with fascinating side-issues to charm the unlettered and awaken enthusiasm in the hearts of our amateur parliamentarians, begin with, it should not be very difficult to cheaplack fashion, if only because some of us have to submit to oppressive rules and regulations in order that we may make both endsmeet, Is it not heroicalso to stand forth and castigate. I the anomalies of Crown Colony rule, knowing I that all the vituperative terms which have been I colled from the latest work on synanyms have ly tickle the ear of the administrative body; There is also the arm-chair here who repeats the wonderful and amazing tale of his prowess and adventures until like the veteran of Agincourt he actually believes them himself But these are not the sort of heroes we would deal with now. They are all very fine in their way and add spice to the monotony of existence, but they are not the real, genuice, article-in fact they are the fly-blown essence of inepti tude and only exist because there is a corner is the world for all sorts and condition of people, cranks and maniscs alike. The subject of before crops up in connection with, the recently established Carnegie Hero Fund which is designed to compensate the felatives of those who have perished through their noble efforts to save the lives of their fellow-mep. nor and the Chief Justice over the guestion of Mr. Carnegie has ever attempted to pess as an altruist, and has expressed the intention over | Cantonese have succeeded in working themand over again that he will get rid of the major | selves up to such a pitch of excitement that the proportion of his magnificent fortune before he slightest incident out of the ordinary rut of finally crawls off this terrestial globe. He has' human affirs affects that culm reasonableness flunded the United Kingdom with libraries. I and sense of proportion usually associated with was fit to receive cargo when the act of ship. difference of opinion would develop into an which are mainly utilised by love-lorn maiden. The natives of South China. That their chulliplog began, or, in the alternative, because the open supture. It is all due to the fact that the who seek consolation for their heart troubles tions are but temporary and last no longer than not been discharged. His Lordship dismissed son, because he has to work like a galley-slave and world-sick youths who gratify their spother is no guide to their conduct should on all fours with the Empress of China and said. like a pamphlet and Shakespeare's works like a. supplied by Schopenhaur. Half the churches assured that the Provincial, authorities, were that he could find no authority for the proposi- student's squib. The correspondence which was in the Kingdom are provided with home- copable of keeping a tight rein on the hottion of defendants counsel that the shipowners laid on the table of the Legislative Council to- made organs whose only redeeming feature headed self-styled patriols then nothing peed be ment made in the Council on the subject of a lis entitled to a niche and who should be flung | sider how closely Hongkong is affected by the Excellency points out the error, he squeezes Now the United Kingdom is to be favoured I land. The veil was momentarily lifted when corrected version is open to objection and produce a batch of heroes in twelve months natural causes on board a river steamer while Well, we shall not ask from whom the Chief should not all be spent in ope shop. Mr. | thankless task which the servant of the Fotskan would be found that the majority of people, earth, and he is determined that his heroes | believe that he fully realised the unpleasant the Governor. But the last sentence in the content to slave and die in the service of our fart must frequently have led him to pass minating of all. "Ilwas in hopes that the the fund is not to be criticised, because these stances would have domanded redress and it sideration to myself." All the letters con- comes to ostracising the men of the sea, who cooles he should have so lar lest the instinct tain the same sentiment of lack of con- bave made Britain what she is to-day, there is of self-preservation, as 10 assault a peaceable say that he regretted to note that the Chief parently, Mr. Carnenie and those who surround lides is grotesque, but the ways of some Chie pression "which I have so frequently, and with heroism at sea, or if there is it is a washed. | ibason to believe that they will personally

owing to non-fulfilment of delivery on a specific and a little more of it would be sufficient to melt of their duty which they are in no way exceed. having been the direct cause of the death. House of Lords' bench, which seldom over- the mercant le marine: "If the administrators sorely felt by widows and orphans left behind. I the leaves of Vallambrosa Mr. Carnegie querolously replied that ! be agreed with the trustees that they had quite enough to do organising the pero Fund at home....What they might dain later years would be known later. They felt they had modertaken a difficult task." And there the matter ends. No tatterdemalion; happy-go-lucky, down at the heels sesfavers for Mr. Carnegie; not even a nod to those who work among the iron and. steel which helped him to make his pile. Fortunately the British sailor is not a man to ed paper to remark that, almost every item in harbour resentment; he has been for much

> deemed excuentle. SAVING THE SITUATION

necustomed to endure the slings and arrows of

outrageous fortune to trouble about the

series of buffetings and bruless and the fact

of "those in peril on the sea " will not affect

attitude towards the British seafarer in so fer

as the Hero Fund is concerned cannot be

(4th December.) For various reasons which it would be improper to discuss at the present juncture the benefit by fomenting a disturbance, are past al

vessell and the profibe quashing of a contract tone of strained politoness is most affecting by sheet, dogged courage, well it is only part mislortune to be domined by the coolies as ed date. If the former the shippers are placed at the heart of a gardener's wheelbarrow. Again ing. To face death bourly and daily, to be one of their number, was an intentional or a decid delisadvantage of Bur as we are until the Chief Justice points out that the effect of prepared for every emergency, to die in the malicious misrepresentation of the facts. They in edi inth theuteunst of the chim against the Governor's statement can only but that depths of the hold like rats in a trap, or to be simply allowed their commonsense to be out the Canadian lac fic Radway Company, we the opinion of the Government is that I want a flung from the yards into a boiling sea, when it | weighed by the clamour of an insensale rabare not in a position to say which party seems | hird judge appointed to save myself work." is impossible to effect a rescue, to be scalded ble, and assumed to be facts those perverted to have been despoiled. His Lordship argued. That its another instance of want of con- beyond hope of recovery in order that the views which gain currency whenever the that as the jury raid they could not find the sideration. Then the Governor forwarded the stateroom passengers may contentedly enjoy unusual occurs. Probably every, individual moment when the ship became unserworthy tuggestion to the Colonial Office that an themselves unaware of the tragedies occurring Chinaman on board the vessel at the time nor whether the last case of cigarettes was or peal Court could be formed with the as- under their feet, these, are things which the had a special and original version of what was not on board at 3.30 p.m. when they did sistance of the judge at Shanghai. What the sailorman, be he ceptain, officer, engineer, had happened for the delectation of his find the ship to have been unseaworthy be had Chief Justice grumbles at in this connection deckhand or stoker, is expected to undertake particular coterie, and it wis an matter of come to the conclusion that on these findings is that Bis Excell-pcy never invited his for a pittance which would turn a railway navey supererogation to say that the allegation no judgment could be entered either way opinion on the subject. If His Excellency into a homocidal maniac. In so many words, of to-day becomes the accepted fact of to-There was no order as to costs, so that each | had done so the Chief Justice would have Mr. Carnegie has said that he has no use for morrow, except among those whose minds party paid their own expenses. It is a most pointed but the difficulties in the way scalarors so far as his Helo Fund is concern. have been trained to separate the wheat from unsatisfactory result, because it leaves both of making the scheme effective, and should the ed. What is a sailor, soyway, but a liceused the chaff and to view matters logically. Is it shipowners, and shippers in a langle of doubt suggestion be adopted by the Secretary of State seprobate with a wife in every part and an to be supposed that the ignorant and, as we as to their rights and liabilitie. If the case is who seems to pay mere attention to the Gover- abnormal appetite for the indecorous. True, have said, prejudiced coolies were inclined appealed to the higher court we may get fur. nor's views than to those of the Chief Justice; there are allors who rise above the world and to allow such a rare bit of news to be whittled "it can only work by most seriously hamper. mean, who, live for higher things, like Mr. down to a matter of every-day insignificance? ing the other business of the Court." Once Frank Bullen, but then such gentlemen Had they not to meet their friends and relate more in the same letter. His Honour winds up | make a competency if not a fortune by ex- | to them the adventures of the voyage from by saying :" "Your Excellency will I think | ploiting their disapproval and disgust at | Hongkeng to Canton, the scengs on board agree with me that I have some cause for the the habits of the old scadogs who taught the vessel, the mischievous interference of view I have so frequently expressed that little | them their business, and caricaturing those | an authorised official, and the colonina. consideration is paid to the Chief Justice's shipm ites with whom they had the misfortune, ling in the death of one of their own kith opinion in matters relating to the administra- of being as clated. And why, it will be asked, | and kin? Their imagination, fired by other tion of justice." Ry this time the Governor is are British seafarers excluded from whatever events which have no placed here would becoming somewhat irritated at the continual benefits may be derived from the Hero Fund? | run rampant, and probably their tales would reiteration of " want of consideration? and on | Simply because Mr. Carnegie feels that "it is looly be a trifle less inspiged than those of the 6th October, he wrote: "I have replied at not possible to thoroughly investigate a case worthy Baron Munchasen and Sir John Mansome length to the concrete instances brought of bravery performed by a British seafarer deville. It was, we may confidently take it, on forward by Your Honour in support of your when it occurs outside the Butish Islands or the spur of the moment that the petition was view that " little consideration is paid to the the waters thereof," Which is to say that the framed, when wisdom and second thoughts opinion of the Chief Justice in matters affecting | testimony of a ship's crew in favour of a gallant | still tarried behind, otherwise we feel certain the administration of justice" but I fear that it | fficer or seaman is not worth a penny-piece. | that no educated Chinaman would have drawn is beyond my power to remove what appears | Strange, it it not, that the Royal Humane | up such a document; on the flimsy evidence. to have become an ides fixe in your mind." Society, of which the Prince of Wales is Pre- they possessed. Fortunately, the Chinese offi-In attempting to appeare the Chief fustice, the sident, manages to satisfy itself as to the cials who received the petition were not to be Governor proposed to send to the press a true truth of the parratives placed before the mem- routed out of their ordinary niecidity; and in and faithful copy of what he actually did say bers when a case of life saving is submitted? stead of making a case of the affair in the Legislative Council on the subject of the We had always been under the impression that | they contented themselves with practically Appeal Court, but His Honour previsbly re- the man wearing the blue ribbon of the Society's | teaving it in the hands of those primarily plied that he feared the publication of His [medal was a here for at least had the germs of] conce ned. We pass over the tridiculous, Excellency's remarks "would do more harm | heroism in his bones. Indeed, there are fool- | gruesome and wain examination conducted by than good." There the matter rests. The joke ish landsman who attributed to the wearer of the native astrologers, necromancers or quacks. is that Sir Matthew Nathan was as inexorable | the Society's medal qualities similar to those | -whichever term is most appropriate on the as Sir Frederick Lugard is to-day. When the which are supposed to belong to the veteran body of the dead passenger in the hope of dis-Chief Justice pointed out of for three years "that | who has been decorated with the V.C. But | covering the cause of death; What we would he had to do the work of two judges. Sir Matthew | Mr. Carcegie holds otherwise; he says, in | sulogise, is the promptitude with which the Nathan, without even consulting the Chief | effect, What proof have you that there is such | Consul-General for the United Kingdom at Justice "practically informed the Secretary of a thing as a sailor-hero? And triumphantly | Canton, Mr. Fox, took the matter into his own State that this was not a fact." In one letter | he answers his own question by saying-"Now, | hands, Right or wrong, be the law what it His Honour stated that he was then engaged I've given, you a poser, because like Mrs. I might, that could be discussed later, He conin preparing a judgment on an important Harris there sin't un sich person." The Im- stituted himself arbiter, and it is to Mr. Fox appeal; "it took many days to argue in the Full | perial Merchant Service Guild have protested | that the cotire credit is due for saving the Court; the writing of the judgment will pro- Ingainst the invidious distinction made in the situation. Before the ubiquitous Chinase bably take to full mornings' work, of at least case of seafarers; the secretary has argued agitator had the chance of inflaming the public four hours a day, and though I am now half their claims to recognition by the trustees of mind, he was coolly holding an inquiry into way through I have not the remotest idea what I the Hero Fund, but without avail; he has even I the circumstances, taking the evidence im-) the ultimate judament will be. It is not impos- | once the length of almost beseeching Mr | putially as becomes a British officer of the sible that this judgment may prevent the case | Carnesie to remember the friend of everybody, | Crown, and laving down the law as, hard going to the Privy Council." Would it not be Jack the sailorman. Here is the temperate way and fast as if he ruled the destinies of and regard for the truth had its effect on the steps the space of a Times' column? of the Carnegie Hero Fund were not satisfied Chinese, for besides acting the part of the But when a judgment becomes a sort that they had complete and correct information guardian of the rights of all sides, Mr. Fox of serial story somebody must suffer. One of an act of bravery at sea, then it could not innicipated criticism by admitting the public further remark; the"Chief Justice admits that I reasonably be expected that they should devote, and the representatives of the press to the Court the constitution of the Appeal Court is extra- | any part of the Fund towards it. The resources | over which he presided. There was no holeordinary in so wealthy a Colony as Hongkong." I of the Fund are quite ample enough to admit | and-corner business, no strategic mevements Would the Chief Justice kindly inform the of seafarers being included. If only in the to the rear, no hiding away from the light of be found in Hongkong? It is absolutely certain | they merit the greatest encouragement in | therefore, no opportunity for the militant ringthat the Government would give much to lay saving life at sea. They themselves frequently leaders of public discord to make capital even a little finger on the pile, if only for risk personal hardships and danger, and thus out of the incident. Mr. Fox's action is are able to appreciate to what serious deserving of the highest commendation, for jeopardy, they must place themselves when hit is due to bis quick-mindedness, when Attempting to rescue others - I may men source and ready recognition of the possible tion that not long 'ago. two different consequences that serious trouble has been Cases arose where members of the Guild avered. That the accuse I was acquitted was a lost their lives on the high seast in attempting I foregone conclusion after the medical layidence to save others, and their widows were left in | had been submitted, however nesty the result very straitened circumstances. According to may teste in the mouths of the agitators. We your present proposals such cases could not be | can only trust that the matter will now be forconsidered in connection with the administra- gotter, and there is every reason to expect tion of the splend d fund which you have that the hope will be realised, especially at this will initiated, and we submit that it would be time when events follow each other as fast as as

CORRESPONDENCE

IWe do not necessarily endorse the opinious expressed by Correspondents in this column.]

THE "FATSHAN" INCIDENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGRONG TREEGRAPH."

Sir.-May I ask a little room in your esteem-

the statement rothe Fathan incident translated by you in your issue of Wednesday is fable, in fact. Setting aside the bare fact that the man views of Mr Camegie; all his life has been a was there, and was asked for his ticket; there is not a word of truth in the account given as to that Mr. Carnegie does not know the meaning how he was "bru ally, done, to death." The composers of the story raively say that his digestion. But: all the same, Mr. Carnegie's | they wert downstairs attracted by the "scuffe" and yet farther on they say that they, were: "eye-witnesses" of the affit from the first! The man was probably actually in a dying state when he came on board. The proclivity of the Chinese in Hongkong to head for Canton when attacked by grievous illness is well knows, and it is most likely that it was in compliance with this impulse that he was making a last effort; he was to a miserable state of emaciation. The story of the assault is a mass of lies; be was neither struck norkicked nor was any violence whatever offered to him fall the action in the matter was taking hold of his shoulder and shaking him a little to wake him up, the usual method. I was eye witness of all the gruesome farce of "examination" on Monday when the so-called "dictors" examined the corpse and endeavoured to find of manufacture "marks" of ill-usage on the body, jo which heywere singularly upsuccessful a marked one man who called bimself and upderaket " for shout a quarter of an hour patting with his fingers a small brown mark in the forehead, the only sign of any skin abrasios on the body, ombably weeks old and very small. He seemed tabe endeavouring to produce blood to, indicate freshness of injury, He was very veluble: to the bystanders, but his pains were wasted. Another soi disant "doctor," who was really a drug wender, having stated that there was a broken bone, was asked to point it out. He went all over the body commencing at the crown, and when last I remarked him by had his our down close on the stomach, listening for the broken bone it. Altogether. it was amusing. but disgusting, and not calculated to give one a high opinion of the progress of ecience among the Cantoness medical spractitioners. The whole story of the incident is a feet up

by some of those unfortunately too plantiful agitators, who take every opportunity of spreading malicious, and calumpious reports had play on the impulsiveness and credulity of the Chinese. Beyond, the easily collected corions. crowd in Canton I saw no evidences of excitement amongst the people and thany such arises. it will be due to the pusked for medding of these mischief mongers. I am Sir/

CHARLIDOYD. Hoagkong, December 3rd 1908/

An operator of wireless telegraphy at San Francisco reports that he best programmed that sages processing, as let be best to be believed COLUMN TO THE PARTY OF THE PART

Quarantine in Hongkong.

OBSERVATION STATION. ESTABLISHMENT AT LAICHIKOK.

The following regulations for the setting Labort of an Observation Station at Laichikol "See the detention of persons arriving on board washing subjected to conventing, are published

Ain the Gasette Wr. These regulations are additional to the dustantine regulations in Table L of the Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance.

alg. The place known as the Government Ob eservation Btation at Laichikok shall be so apart as a place for the detention and seclusion ingle persons, i whether inctually lauffering it from disease or not, arriving on board vessels sub 2 dected to quarantine.

> C. CLEMENTI. Clerk of Councils.

"Council Chamber, "23rd November, 1958."

the Observation Station.

"Instructions for owners or agents of infected vessels from which the passengers or crew, or . hay of them, are removed to the Observation Station at Laichikok by order of the Health Officer of the Bort.

Fig. If the Health Officer shall order the passangers and crew, or any of them, of an "infected" vessel to be kept under observation at the Observation Station aforesaid the owner or agents of the said vessel shall provide :--(a.) All necessary boats for the removal of such passengers and crew, or any of them,

(b) All food for such passengers and crew according to the scale in Schedule 'A of these Instructions.

Such quantity or numbers as the Health Officer of the Port may deem neccestary :-(c.) of lymph for the vaccination of the said passengers and crow, if the vessel from which the said passengers and crew have been re moved is quarantined for small-pox.

for Chinese passenger ships. (Proclamation No. 7 of 6th July, 1904.) (e) of cooks, servants and scavenging

(d.) of disinfectants, not exceeding the scale

(f.) of water daily for cleansing or drinking (a.) of kerosine oil for lighting purposes a

the rate of t of a tip daily for every 500 passes

pers and crew. 2. In addition the owners or agents afore-'said will pay to the Government such charges. "as the Health Officer of the Port, by certificate under his hand, may certify to have been incurred by Government for police guard, nurses wardmasters, medicines, medical comforts; for the cleansing and disinfection of the versel, or of the merchandise on board of her, from which the passengers and crew have been removed; and for the burial of the bodies of any of the passengers or crew who may die in the Station.

OPIUM IN CALCUTTA.

UNSATISFACTORY POSITION.

It appears that there has been an enormou increase in the consumption of opium in Calcutta during the official year 1907-8, but this does not mean that the drug has become more popular locally. It is bought in order that i may be smuggled to Burms, the profits being so great that Rs. 25 can be netted on each "hound. If, then, to or it maunds can be "fun by a smuggler during the year his profits will vary between Rs. 20,000 and Rs. 30,000. The Superintendent of Excise Revenue, Calcutta, believes that there are men possessed of extreme cupping and powers of organisation, who are working on a grand scale. They obtain only a part of their supplies in Calcutta Itself, going further afield into the United Provinces, Rampur and Malwa where opium can be bought at cheap rates. If they are checked -in one direction by the police they turn to another, for the demand from Burma is an insistent one. There are regular routes by through Chittagong to Arracan and another to Rangoon direct. The authorities only knew of a certain number of the transactions by the seizures made of the drug. and it is calculated that the figures must be multiplied tenfold to obtain even an spproximate idea of the full extent of the operations. So far all the measures taken to stop the smuggling have been ineffective, and the Excise Department is still striving to find some means for checkmating the organised gangs. There does not seem much chance of success, however, for the smugglers can afford to pay large sums to all who help them. As to oplum smoking in Bengal itself, the practice is widely prevalent, but is not the increase except in Calcutta and Orissa. In Calcutta the onlum dens continue flourish: they are now called clubs.. are places difficult of access, and only admit known and trusted customers. It is said that "the consequence is that opium-smoking is more freely indulged in than, when the promises were under Government control; the smoker gets his materials at nominal prices and is unrestricted, and Government sacrifices considerable revenue." The policy which abolished all State control has evidently not been a success; but anti-opiumists would none the less be furious if Government were to attempt to revert to the old conditions. All the same. the position is as unsatisfactory a one as can be imagined .- Advocate of India.

SHANGHAI INTERNATIONAL

WALRING MATCH. The following are the teams selected to com: pets in the International Walking Match at

Shangbal:— English.-W. S. Fostberstonhaugh, A. Cornish, I. S. D. Wede, N. Webb. Reserve: J. | the Trans-Siberian route, and registered bag-L. Wade.

'Irish.-V. Davies, P. J. Dunne, Con. Hamilton, C. Macguire, Reserves; John Hamilton, destination in Europe, in bond, with examina-B. C. Young.

Chinese .- C. F. Wang, Yu Ling Shee, Ying Tank No. C. L. Wang. Portuguese.—A. Collego, C. Collago, M. College, A. Diniz, jr. Reserve : F. D. Guedes.

H. Ladenstein, F. Martin, Reserves: Plock, Dr. C. Pernitzsch, R. Zimmer. Dound, L. Gille."

Kay, T. Mackenna., Reserves: J. A. Mackenzie, | Churia, Siboria and the Far Rast: generally, A. A. Whyte, Individuals,-Amar Singh, J. Noods, B. great convenience for all travellers, both to of the local authorities (in Tokyo the Metro, till Thursday next, at 11,30 a.m. Russell, V. Teste, A. R. Moores, P. J. Williams, Rurope and locally in the Far East. J. Benavitch, S. Pearlmann.

with damaging property to the extent of a dol- Viadivostok 11.00 mm. on Sundays, The Ruperor of Japan, who seturaed to regard opium as tabod. The people at large, klar, were the charges, Yau Kan, a tallyman, and Fridays, connecting with "International" (sponsible:---Madto answer in the Police Court, last Montlay. | train on Mondays for Moscow; the "State" It would appear that Yau ate the orange and was train on Wednesdays for Moscow ; and the a long time in paying for it. A word or two State train on Saturdays for St. Petersburg. took place between the hawker and Yan, who, From Europe :- Arrive Vladivostok 9.20 a.m. Imagining that he had been insulted kicked on Sundays and Thursdays from Moscow : Saover the stalls. Yau was found not guilty on turdays from St. Patersburg ; connecting with the Charge of theft, but for the damage to the Lyessels leaving Viadivostck at 2 p.m.t on Sunscall he was nedered to pay the hawker \$2 days, Mondays and Thursdays, arriving at Tau-nessessation, which was a very extraordinary right 6 am. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and make to be for that hind of fruit.

CANTON FOR TOURISTS.

THE WONDER CITY, OF THE ORIENT No ordinary description can do justice to the

unique experiences enjoyed by the tourist who takes a trip to Canton and Macao in the course of his wanderings in the Far East. We have often felt sorry for the sprigs of nobility and garlanded notabilities who visit the Orient in all the panoply of Western civilisation, whose idea of pleasure is a trainload of coolies and a caravan of belongings. How little they appreciate the innumerable delights, charms and wonders of such a fantastic city as Canton can only be realised by the ordinary mortal whose pocket is not built on the widow's cruse plan, and who must jostle and hustle with the natives as best he may. Canton, in our opinion, has never been scoured from end to end by a single soul. Some of the authorities have no doubt ideas that certain districts exist in the midst of this vast conglumeration of hovels, massions, matcheds and yamens, but nobody would take his "solemn davy that he could point out any particular spot with exactitude. Of course there are the guides, the plump, imperturbable, majestic leaders of the cringing tourist-for however big a man may feel on board the magnificent vessels of the Hongkong, Canton and Macno Steamship Company when en route | Pr. Pu Lun (3) to the capital of South China he is but a very small aprat when he finds himself in a Chinese thoroughfare measuring three feet wide and every Chinaman in sight yelling his loudestwell, there are the guides who generally select the most characteristic streets for your delects. tion and they know something about Canton. They know where the templesiare and the places where you can buy Chinese nick-nacks at fabnlous prices. They know where the singing boats are and the river restaurants. In fact they know ever so many things, but even they do not ! know all there is to know of Canton; perhaps they might have a fairly good idea of the place if they lived to the age of Methuselah... So that the visitor who goes to Canton for a day or two or preferably a week cannot expect to explore the neighbourhood and return with the reputation of a Sven Hedin. But what he will see in that time will be sufficient to provide him with matter for wonder until the end of his days. His reminiscences may not fill books, but they will afford hi grandchildren greater pleasure, by transporting them to the enchanted realms, than all the tales of the Arabian Nights put atogether. People in Hongkong are so closely connected with Canton that its marvels do not touch them after a while. They do not "enthuse," and therefore it is all the more necessary that the traveller who really wants value for his money should know that there is a city adiacent to this Colony which rivals the ancient Bagdad. With this end in view, the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company whose fleet of tourist steamers are continually running between Hongkong and Canton, have published a Handbook, which has only to be seen to be appreciated. It is not | ingly. merely a guide; it is a record, for the photothere will be little left for the kodak-carrier to snap, unless he wisely takes side trips. The Handbook contains about a hundred pages, is admirably printed, and exceedingly well arranged. Reference is also made to the lows:-Macao trips but these are so well known that we scarcely think it necessary to do more than mention the fact. All we can say is, that whatever the traveller may be, whether he is he is world-weary or sick of life, whether he is flying from a rampageous spouse or chasing an clusive charmer, whether he has scaled Popocatepetil or roved across the Gobi desert. whether he is a youngster to whom the world is an open book or a hypochondriac who has I ing article shall be 5 per cent. per annum. to face life with a bad liver, whether he is any of these things or not he still has something to see to divert his thoughts at Canton, the wonder-city of the World: And he will gain his first insight through the medium of the Handbook to which we have

FORBIGN INSURANCE COM-PANIES IN CHINA.

we understand, at the offices of the Hongkong,

Canton and Macao Steamship Company.

It is reported that a certain Censor ha memorialized the Throne to instruct the Wai wu-pu to negotiate with the Diplomatic Corps for the formulation of the following rules it regard to foreign insurance companies i China :- 1, that foreign insurance companies shall not insure properly outside the limits of the Settlements and Treaty Ports; 2, that is the event of a policy being taken out in violation of Rule 1 and differences arising between the insurers and the assured, those differences shall be settled by the parties without having recourse to local Courts; and 3, that the Life Insurance Companies shall not interfere wit the litigation of the Chinese on the groups that one or both of the litigants have insured their life with them .- Shanghai Times.

THE SIBBRIAN RAILWAY.

IMPROVED FACILITIES FOR TRAVELLERS

We are informed by the Agents of The Great Trans-Siberian Route at Kobe, Messra. Samuel Samuel & Co., Ltd., that, as a result of the conferences and negotiations between the International-Sleeping-Car-Company-and-thevarious railway and steamship lines concerned: during the past year, special arrangements have now been made and are being put into effect, whereby travellers will be able to secure direct connections and tickets from any of the principal points in the Far East through to the principal points in Europe and to America, via

gage will be checked through direct from Shanghai, Nagasaki or Tsuruga, to the ticket of the country to which it is registered; thus avoiding any re checking or examination at in-

termediata points, ' Special dicket-books will shortly be issued, German, R. Bahlmann, P. E. F. Holmeler, | containing coupon tickets for each separate C, section of the entire journey, by any of the the Directors of the Stud Bureau, various routes in connection with the Trans-French. M. Alexandre, W. A. Brun, J. Siberian line to Rurope and also for single or he deems it necessary for the improvement of a.m., yesterday, and mischief in causing dam-

The connections with Vladivostok are:-

THE CHINESE ROYAL RAMILY.

As many of our readers do not clearly understand the relation between the newly proclaimed Emperor and his producessor, as well as that between the late Emperor and the Prince Polun, we publish a brief resume of the genealogy of the Imperial family of China. The Prince Pullun's claim is based on an Imperial decree of 1854, appointing his father, as the heir presumptive, by the Emperor Hien-fung, but on his demise, the Empress-Dowager's son succeeded to the throne. When the latter died without issue, Prince Pullin was the legal heir, but he was set saide by a court cabal aided by the help of the Hung Chang. It will be seen Prince Ching is the grandfather of the new Emperor; and also that the late Emperor and the Prince Chur Thre sons of the Empress Downger's sister."

Emp. Kien-lung, 1736-1796. Emp. Kia Keng, 1796-1820: Prince Ching (17th son) Prince Ching *Emp. Tao Kuang (1821-50) Pr. Ching Emp. Hien-fong Pr. Kung Pr. Chun (the present) died young Pr. Tsal Chan d-mar-Pr. Chur M. Dow. Empress M. Empress mother of new Downger's Sister Pr. Tsuiche (1) Emp. Tung Chi Emp. Kuang Hau Pr. Chup, who mar, daughter of Prince Ching (3)

(1) Adopted as heir by Emp. Hien-fung, in decree of 1854. (2) Went to England for the

THE JAPAN-CHINA RAILWAY AGREEMENT.

Coronation. (3) Went to St. Louis Exhibition .- Singapore Free Press.

CURIOUS TELEGRAPH ERROR.

ment relating to railways in Manchuris has which we published in our last issue, sent tracted from its setting as follows:been signed in Peking by Mr. Abe, Secretary tence was passed on the young hopeful who in the Japanese Legation, and Mr. Liang, of was the chief figure in the disturbance, at the Chinese Post Office Department. Accord- the Police Court this morning. The accused ing to the dispatch it appeared that the agree- was a Hak-ka about ten years of age, and he ment sanctioned the construction of the Hsin- was placed in the dock, for the extremely mintun-Fakumen line, thus settling a question dignified conduct of assaulting a Cantonese which has long been a bone of contention be- woman. word referred to the undertaking which has I without further trouble. been so prominent, and registered it accord-

graphic reproductions are so numerous that hand. The document is stated to form a will again raise his hand on a woman after special protocol to the agreement signed in the has completed his contract with the Govern-April last year relating to the Hainminton-Iment. Mukden and Kirin-Changchung railways. The substance of the new protocol reads as fol-

(1)-The Chinese Government agrees to borrow from the South Manchurian Railway Company Y320,000 in Japanese money, which represents half the amount of the fund required travelling for pleasure or on business, whether | for the construction of the section of the Pekling-Mukden Railway cast of the River, and Y2,150,000, being half the amount required for the construction of the Kirin-Changchung

> (2) The interest on the loans in the preced-(3) The actual amount receivable by China shall be You pay Yloo, (4) A [apanese shall be appointed Chief

Engineer for the Peking-Mukden line to the east of the Liao River. At first a Japanese lengineer working on the Peking-Mukden referred. It costs only a few cents and is sold, Railway shall be appointed to the post. (5) It being difficult to keep separate ac

counts for the section of the Peking-Mukden Railway east of the Liso River, the Japanese Government agrees not to appoint a lapanese as Chief Accountant for the section of the line in question. Instead of this arrangement, the monthly instalment repayable of the principal and interest on the loan shall be regarded as the monthly net profit of the line east of the Lino. River, and this is to be deposited in a lapanese bank each month.

(6) The Chinese Government shall nominate lapanese who shall be considered suitable for the post of Superintendent Engineer, on the Changchung-Kirin line, and on consultation with the South Manchurian Railway Company the Engineer so nominated by the Chinese Government shall be appointed to the post

(7) The minor details of the loans shall be arranged apart from this protocol, between the South 'Manchurian Railway Company and the representative of the Chinese Post Office Dapartment, according to the Agreement of April last year.

(8) The approval of the Governments of the two countries shall be obtained before the agreement goes into effect. It is understood that the construction of the Chargehung-Kirin Railway will be undertaken by the South Manchurian Railway Company, and that the work of construction will be taken in hand early next year.

HORSE-RACING IN JAPAN. TEXT OF NEW REGULATIONS.

A Regulation for the control of horse-race was issued on the 16th November as Order No I of the Cabinet. The substance of the Regulation is as follows:---

(1) No one shall be permitted to hold hors races except race clubs formed in conformity with Article 34 of the Civil Code. ! (2) Horse races shall be held twice a year

regularly by each club, and the number of days tion only at the Custom House on the frontier when racing will take place on each occasion shall not exceed four. (3) No horses useless for horse-breeding pur-

poses shall be allowed to run in the races. (4) Each horse-race company shall adopt its! own regulations for races and submit them to Twenty Chinese were before the This

circular local tours covering all the principal | horse-breeding, may partially subsidise the age to the amount of \$23 to the property of Scotch. C. Birple, J. Goodfellow, W. White | places of interest in Japan, China, Korea, Man- | clubs for the expenses of the races, Hoh Sam Tin. Three of them were also charged (6) All matters relating to the maintenance with voluntarily causing hurt to E.P.C. Blyton. This will be a distinctly new feature and of of order and public morals shall be in the hands. The hearing of the charges was postponed

politan Police Bureau shall be the authority). The three who were charged with assaulting (7) If a horse race is found to be run in the E. P. C. Blyton were asked to igraish bail in To Europe :- Leave Tsuruga 5.00 p.m. on | circumstances referred to below, the authorities the sum of \$400 each; the other seventeen, STEALING an grange which cost two cents and | Fridays, Sundays; and Wednesdays; arrive may order it to be stopped or may take proper Stoo each.

> gularity. (6) When danger is found to be present in his shop. malters relating to the saces.

HEAVY SENTENCE ON A MBRE

Emp. Nov. 14th, 1908.

28th ulto. The Japan Chronicle of 15th Nov. says :- As on Tuesday night at that beloved haunt of the

tween China and Japan. We are now informed |. The story, briefly told, is this. The wothat this announcement is incorrect, the line to | man, who keeps a private lodging-house, be constructed being the Hsinmintun-Mukden | was disturbed from her usual composure on the line, which has not been a source of dispute. I night in question by a great noise outside her The mistake arose from the inability of the bouse, and, running to the door, saw a crowd of telegraph to transmit Chinese names accurate. Hak-kas, numbering some fifty odd, pursuing ly by Japanese kana. In this case the one of her lodgers—who, by the way, is a Canword Shin ho was transmitted, which is the toness-for all they were worth. She asked Japanese reading of the initial characters the child what they were up to. The youngster representing the names. Heinmintun and thought this was too much for his dignity. Up Fakumen, but he happens to be the read- went his temper and down came his arm, which ing of the initial character representing Muk- I would not have mattered so much had there den also. The receiver of the message, not puot been an iron bar in his hand. This apthinking of this, naturally assumed that the peased the rowdies somewhat and they retired

This morning, Mr. J. R. Wood, the presiding magistrate, sentenced the boy to three months Further details of the agreement are now to | hard labour. It is doubtful whether the child

> THE CHINESE THRONE. COOLIES CREATE BIG DISTURBANCE IN SINGAPORE.

China town presents a deserted appearance to-day as most of the shops and business houses are closed in consequence of the Chinese community being in mourning for the late Emperor and Empress Dowager, reports the Straits Times of 10th ulto.

Customs associated with such occasions are being observed strictly in private houses and also at the Chinese Consulate. Many ricksha coolies are not plying for hire and even some of the street hawkers are refraining from busi-

The general idleness among the Chinese in Singapore, to day, is leading to trouble for the police, the crowds in many parts of the town showing a disposition to be mischievous. About three hundred coolies began to molest and rob hawkers and to stone trams, in South

Bridge Road this morning. P. C. Blyton hurried to the scene, and a tempted to scatter the mob with a broom which he wielded with considerable effect till he received a blow on the leg, which crippled him. Several arrests were made and the

throng finally scattered. The Chinese Consulate, Bras Basab Road, was besieged by throngs of Chinese of the better class, this morning, all attired in white, to pay respects to the Consul-General and express their grief at the demise of the Emperor and

Empress-Downger. The throng of vahicles of every description completely stopped traffic for a time, even the trams finding it impossible to get through. The lads of a Chinese school, all in khaki

uniform, were seen marching through town, this morning, with banners at their head. Each lad had a band of black about his left arm. Their masters, who marched by their side, were in white mourning in accordance with Chinese

FREE FIGHT AMONG CHINESE.

Eight Teochews were arrested in North Bost Onay, yesterday afternoon, from among throng of over two hundred, who were engaged in a free fight. They appeared before the Third Magistrate, this morning, on a charge of

No evidence was given as to the cause of the disturbance, but bystanders state that it arose over the refusal of sundry traders to cease work. and thereby show their respect for the deceased Emperor and Empress Dowager of China, as most Chinese are doing.

The Magistrate reserved his decision till this

Another version of the affair is that the riot began by a concerted attack upon two shops in Temple Street, just off South Bridge Road. kept by Cantonese Christians, because they had not closed their shops. Twenty arrests were made.

> 20th November. TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS RAISED: FOR DEFENCE.

Magistrate, Mr. Maurice Thunder, this morning. (5) The Director of the Stud Bureau, when on charges of rioting in Temple Street at 7.30

called in five hours, yesterday, for the defence Tokio, yesterday, has announced to-day, that however, who have smoked opium in the past (a) When the race club is found to violite of the accused, the local Chinese community the Court will go into mourning for twenty continue for the most part to smoke it will. this regulation or is guilty of any; other ine; feeling very strongly that they were justified in

night in Chinese, stating that there was no The Emperer and Lamping have dispatched (c) When it is deemed necessary to take night in Chinese, stating that there was no action for the maintanance of order aid cause for monraing as the decessed rulers of Action for the maintenance of order and company for morraling as the deceased relevant of Prince Karle and Transfer and the Manner of State and St

PORPULAM. OUTBREAK OF FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE A special meeting of the Sanitary Board was

CATTLE DISHASE IN

beld at the offices of the Board at 12.15 last Saturday afternoon, when the following letter from Mr. Adam Gibson, the Colonial Veterinary. Surgeon, was laid on the table :--Sanitary Board Offices

28th November, 1008. Sir. - I have the honour to report for the information of the Board that foot and mouth disease exists at No. o shed, Sassoon's Villa. Pokfulam Road.

The shed contains fifteen cows and three of Bye-law of Ordinance 1 of 1903-1908.-I have, as coloured by "anti-opuim "prejudices. "In

ADAM GIBSON. The Secretary,

The meeting declared the shed in question

Sanitary Board.

to be an infected area.

MONUMENTS IN CHINA,

AN-IMPERIAL TOMB. The tomb of Chu Hung-wu, the founder of the Ming Dynasty, is at Nanking. One of the monoliths is being gradually destroyed b curious visitors pounding it with a stone to hear a supposed metallic sound come from it. Some ancient monuments of the Liang

Dynasty not far from the city should be pro-

tected and cared for as such old monuments

are rare even in China. Nanking was the site of the beautiful porce-With regard to the fraces which took place lain pageda destroyed during the Taiping -rebellion and famed in Longfellow's poemreported in our columns yesterday, an agree- | coolies-Causeway "Bay-full particulars of the part pertaining to the pagoda may be ex-

> POTTER'S SONG: Turn, turn, my wheel I The human race. Of every tongue, of every place, Caucasian, Coptic, or Malay, All that inhabit this great earth, Whatever be their races or worth, Are kindred and allied by birth, And made of the same clay. and yonder of Nankin, behold The Tower of Porcelain, strange and old, Uplifting to the actonished skies Its ninefold painted balconies, With balustrades of twining loaves, And roofs of tile beneath whose eaves lang porcelain bells that all the time Ring with a soft, melodious chime; While the whole fabric is ablaze With varied tints all fused in one

Great mass of colour, like a maze Of flowers illumined by the sun. Turn, turn, my wheel ! - What is begun At daybreak must at dark be done, To-morrow will be another day To marrow the hot furnace flume Will search the heart and try the frame, And stamp with honour or with shame

These vessels made of clay. No relics of this famous structure are traceable

except a rubbish heap. A brick recently picked out of the debris of the famed White Pagoda at Pa-ta-chu in the Western Hills, near Paking, destroyed by troops of the Allies in 1900, has this stamped

"The Buddhist doctrine comes from the cause I say there is a cause. The cause vanishes. do according to this saying."

The last sentence has been interpreted by a Chinese as meaning "when the cause vanished still I make this declaration." The brick was among thousands of its follows that left their foundation on a blast of gun cotton. The cause has vanished and the declaration remains to accuse. The loss of this beautiful pagoda has been lamented perhaps more by

foreigners than by Chinese. During the late war in Manchuria at least one pagoda was destroyed for military reasons This was the Pai-ta at Pai-ta-pu, south of Mukden. Singularly enough the several pagodas on eminences around Mukden were not molested. But this one in the plain, was, according to foreign observers, blown up on March o by Russians in the withdrawal after the Battle of Mukden. It was a landmark, but small and relatively unimportant as a month ment. The Japanese troops used the bricks

for mending roads. Pagodas are not seen north of Kai-yuan in Manchuria. A pagoda dated about 1878, quite a small one, is to be seen at Yi-lu seventy miles northeast of Mukden.

THE IMPERIAL PALACE AT MUKDEN. The Imperial Palaces of China may be regarded as amongst the most precious monuments of their kind in the world. The Imperial Government has recently repaired the apcestral palace at Mukden preserving its ancient appearance, and has put away in the Appearral Hall there the records of the Imperial family-history sent from - Peking-in-October The Mukden Palace is much smaller than any palace at Peking and is more barbaric in structure and appearance. It was badly ruined and all the minor buildings had collapsed The Manchurian Viceroy spent an estimated sum of \$200 000 Mexican in restoring the place

to something like its original appearance. This palace is said to contain the finesi single collection of Imperial porcelain and Chinese art works to be found in China though the extent and value of the collection may be exaggerated. It is, however, the wonder of visitors. The collection has for warrs been piled up in complete disorder in little crowded buildings, uncared for though unmolested even by invaders. Nuch has, perhaps, deteriorated and some things have doubtless been entirely destroyed. The embroideries. paintings, carved jade, porcelains, bronzes, etc., have now been arranged in cases i and on shelves and in places convenient for lexhibit. The Government intends to make the palace a museum open to the people.

IMPERIAL RECORDS. The Imperial family records, erroneously called the history of the dynasty, that have lately been placed in the Mukden Palace, were conveyed thither with great ceremony by Prince Li. His departure from Peking was one of the events of the year and said to be one of the I most dignified and elegant ceremonials that foreigners have ever witnessed in Peking. special train took the Prince and his suite. and the precious records, on-jade, to Mukden The arrival there of the party is described as having been very showy: ! About five thousand troops were drawn up to receive it! The Prince gave a reception to the Consular body, lit was a part of his mission to visit the famour Fu-ling and Pei-ling, the tombs of the Mascha king. dom. These tombe are in good preservation and until now have not suffered from vandals. -N. C. D. 27000,

CHINA'S SORROW. MOURNING IN JAPAN,

The opening in Shanghai within the next tix wooks [Since postponed to 1st February, 1909.

+Ed. H. R. T.] of the International Opium Commission renders the issue in the form of a Blue Book of a report by Mr. S. Leech, Councillor of the British Legation in Pekingrion the opium question in China singularly opportune. There has been no lack of literature on the subject at any moment during the last two years; but most writers, and certainly all public speakers, have of necessity been obliged to content themselves with such data as they have been able to collect more or less hapharardly Quite recently a more systematic attempt to collete information from various provinces was them yesterday were suffering from the disease. I made under the auspices of the China Inland beg therefore to recommend that the shed Mission: and while there was ample internal be declared an infected area under Section 12 evidence of the impartiality of the compilation, of the Importation and Inspection of Animals, such a record was always liable to be adjudged

THE OPIUM QUESTION

gauging THE EXTENT OF GROUND UNDER - Poppy Cultivation a casual observer, who is asked to retain in his mind's eye the area planted in the same district a year or more ago, may well be misled. albeit unwittingly, by personal blas. For this reason it is unfortunate that the task of yauging the progress of opium suppression should depend for the most part on unscientific estimates, but in the absence of statistics, we can only rely for our information on impressions of Europeans travelling in the provinces. Before the International Commission mosts a valuable guide for its deliberations will have been prepared by the Imperial Maritime Customs, whose Commissioners and inland postal officers have been instructed to collect all available data about the cultivation of the poppy and the consumption of opium and morphia. Their reports will be transmitted to the Statistical Secretary, who will be attached to the Commission, and will represent the most compiete and reliable evidence yet adduced on the whole question. In the meantime we have MR. LEECH'S INTERESTING AND INSTRUCTIVE

REPORT. of which Sir John Jordan in a covering letter says :- " Mr. Leech has devoted much care and attention to the preparation of this Report. and the conclusions at which he has arrived may be accepted as an earnest attempt to form an impartial estimate of the situation after un exhaustive examination of all the evidence available." Even without this strong recommendation an official memorandum of this nature, published under the authority of the British Foreign: Office, would be welcomed by the majority of those who are seeking for the most practical methods of assisting China to free herself from the opium evil.

Mr. Leech, writing in June, states that since the end of November 1907, when the previous General Report on the antiopium movement was written, Sthe two most noticeable features have been uttha continued interest and energy shown by the Central Government in the "question, as compared with the growing anathy-evinced by the provincial officials and their lack of austained effort to eradicate the evil." In contrast to this, the Report continues. "there is the gratifying evidence from many provinces of the reduction of the area under poppy cultivation. This reduction, which varies greatly according to local conditions, seem to be as much a voluntary step on the part of the farmers, prompted by self-interest and fear, as the result of official exhortation or of a desire to obey the auth-

THE APATHY OF PROVINCIAL AUTHORITIES is said to be noticeable chiefly "in a growing. indifference as to whether the rules of the Decree of November' 1936 are stringently carried out or not. Generally speaking, smokers do not take out licences. Dens, though officially closed, are in many cases surreptitiously opened. Opium shops are only spatmodically. ipspected, while Anti-Opium? Societies are gradually dying a natural death from lack of funds or interest, or both," Though there are exceptions to this state of affairs in certain districts, due to enlightened officials, especially in the coast provinces, Mr. Leech adds, it cannot be said that officials in general have fully carried out the movement imposed upon them by the Court. This presentment of the situation is:

-NOT-YERY-ENCOURAGING/ NO. but its accuracy is borne out by the separate socords of the several provinces. If we turn to the measure of support given to China by foreigners in the cause of suppression we find that no done exist in any British Concession and the few opium shops remaining in the British Concession at Chickiang will have their licences withdrawn at "the end of In Shanghai also we shall shortly be free of licensed opium-smoking The sympathy of Great Britain with China in her crusade has been manifested by the decision of the Home Government to abolish opium in all forms in Ceylon, the

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS AND HONGKONG, while the Indian Government has concluded an arrangement with China whereby, beginning from the current year, it undertakes to reduce by 5,100 chests annually the number of chests. at present amounting to \$1,000, exported to China. This understanding, which is infended to apply to the ten years allotted for the eradication of opium, in this country, is subject to revision at the end of three years, if China shows no willingness or ability to reduce proportionate. ly the production and consumption of Chinese opium and the importation of other foreign opium. Furthermote, all the Powers have now given their assent to the prohibition (to be enforced from January 1, 1909) of the importation of morphia except for medicinal purposes,

According to its terms of reference

THE INTERNATIONAL OPIUM COMMISSION. in which China will be associated with the United States, Great Britain, France, Germany, Holland, Japan and Portugal, will endeavour to-arrive at " definite suggestions of measures which the respective Governments may adopt looking to the gradual suppression of opium cultivation, traffic and use within their Eastern possessions, thus assisting China in her purpose of eradicting the evil in the Empire. The chief object of its deliberations, it will thus be seen is to confirm China in her well-doing but to achieve practical results in this direction. it would appear from Mr. Leech's Report that the Commission would almost have to leave academic discussions on the opium question and indicate to Chips practical methods of administrative reform. In spite of all the controversy on the subject China has still to work out her own salvation in the matthe of onlum suppression. The endication of the drug from foreign Concessions, India or else where is not going to put a stop to oplum smoking in this vest Empire. We have seen that nothing can exceed THE ZEAL OF THE CEMTRAL COVERNMENT

in the issue of threats and exhortations; while it is generally recognized that there is an inclination on the part of educated Chinese to feeling very strongly that they were justified in one days from this date, noting force to compel Hoh Sam Tin to close The rate tribute is a striking testimony of thwasted by the apathy or opposition of previous the Imperial wishes for close claim. To suppress the opinion evil, marking the striking testimony of claim. To suppress the opinion evil, marking the striking testimony of claim to suppress the opinion evil, marking the striking testimony of claim. and it is clearly not wise on the part of supplier.

St. Andrew's Ball.

PREPARATIONS FOR BRILLIANT FUNCTION.

TRANSFORMATION SCENE AT THE CITY

"What's a the steer, kimmer?" may well be asked to night, when the votaries of St. Andrew set out to show Hongkong what Scots men can do whom they put their shoulders to the wheal. Not even the most phlegmatic Scot could get away from the fact to-day that the St. Andrew's Ball, the dance of the season, the time for jollity, and renewing of auld acquaintance, was at hand. The very rickshaw coolies had the doric on their tengues, but it was a fearsome thing to hear some of them trying to get round the gutturals. Never mind, they did their best and their best was a great deal better than that of some of the English gentry who would insist on speaking a hybrid dialect which was mostly composed of Devenshire "Zees," Yorkshire, "Yaws" and "down the water" idioms unknown to the heroes of Glesco Fair. Now why is it that this St. Andrew's Ball makes such a sensation every year. A stranger would fancy St. Andrew had never been heard of beforecertainly there are a good many braw lads who never knew that the saint and "a nich oot meant the same thing until they came out to Hongkong. The fact is that St. Andrew's Day and Dance are institutions in the Colony. and it is a greater humiliation to be forgotten when the invitations are flying around than to be cut off the Governor's list. For you have to mind your P's & Q's at the State dance and behave as if you were built on stilts and born on a frosty morning, but there I relieved by greenery. is none of that high falutin' "dicht yer feet on. Fancy some of our friends from Quarry Bay or-Kowloon Docks putting on airs and graces, and trying to look as if they abhorred the very name of "Auld Reckie"—which has two meanings as you know. When the head of the household determines—that is to say, allows the guidwlfe to make up his mind for him to attend the ball his duty is finished. Somewhere or another a swallow tail is fished out and he is left in his misery to fit himself into his ancient grandeur. For it is a fact that you can usually tell how long a man has been in Hongkong by the colour and appearance of his coat. Sometimes it is only deep-sea green, which means that he is a comparative newcomer; other times it is bottlegreen and the seams appear to be on the point of splitting asunder. That's an old stager and he's to be found with a crony of his in the region of Craigallachie, or Strathmore or

Sometimes one of the younger members of the family manages to worm into the spread and this is what he is told by his mother before he leaves. Kowloon or Ouarry Bay. "Mind, Macgreagor, ye're no to be askin' for locky till ye've ett twa bits o' breed an' butter. It's no mainners: an' the Englishers are rale parteeclar. An ye're no to dicht yer mooth wil yer cuff-mind that. Ye're to tak' yer hanky an' let on ye're jist gl'cin' yer neb a bit wipe. An' yer no to scale yer tea nor sup the sugar if onvisient in ver cup when ye're dune drinkin'. An' if ye drap yer niece on the Hoor ye're no' to gang after It; yor jist to let on ye've ett it. An ye're no'-." But it all comes to nothing in the long run, because the fun and the frolic and the high jinks and the loupin' turn the heads of even the wisest of them all.

Glenlivet. As for the women-folk, for the real

Scot is only sentimental in books and never

goes beyond "ma doo" or "ma Ecotch blue-

bell" they are like the wind, blowing hither and

thither as they listeth and more than maintain.

ing the reputation of the race that never flew.

from a fight. To say to anyone of the queans

from the Highlands "Bonnie lassie, will ye

gang? is to see the dabger signal hoisted,

because she's ganging whether ye will or not

And so everything is screne. Upstairs the

ladies sporting their tartans; downstairs the

men reciting "The deil's awa" wi' the excise-

man" for all they're worth, to the accompani-

ment of various condiments which are good for-

the muscles of the tongue.

Properly speaking, the evening does not begin until after midnight, when the hungry crew has riotously welcomed the "chiefful o' the puddin' race"-the haggis. This year we understand that the "Cock of the North"—the slogan of the Gordons-is to be played by an Indian. Well, an Indian is all right, but why not have a Scotsman to do the oracle? Why not our old friend Sandy MacEuen, who has denned the garb of old Gaul, and sported the sportan and the buckled sheep times without number. Wasn't he a good enough Scotsman for the aristocracy of Peterbead or the Trongate? But perhaps it is a joke about the Indian piper, who never saw a haggis in his life and would be liable to convulsions if he tasted the pride o every Scotch housekeeper. A had joke though, and it will be good to see the sonsy face o the old veteran tramping and skirling his way to the Chief's table.

Of course there will be the usual features, so wall known to everybody who has attended a Scotch function. We'll see the Pride of the Glen, and the sword that Wallace were, and the helmet of de Boune that was broken in halves by Bruce and a selection of the loves that Robbie immortalised, and may be an excisemen or two that he diddled, and ropes of heather, with bits of the white for luck, and all the rest of it. What clan Chief Chatham belongs to we cannot tell, but that he can speak good Edinburgh Scotch we happen to know, though whether he has the gift o' the gab like Gershom Stewart, or the memory for Scotch poetry—the best in the World—that was inherited by Robert Shewan remains to be seen. One thing is certain, his listeners will not be of the pernackety order, and if he cannot speak! he could always vary the proceedings by giving

a Highland fling or a ghillia callum. During the evening telegrams will be sent to Brither Scots in the Far East. The telegram will be in the usual terms "Chief Chatham and Hongkong Scots greet [na. na. they winne great Brither Scots," and that will be sent. bar the interpellation, to Manila, Tientsin, Foochow, Shanghal, Amoy, Kobe, Yokohama,

fluous hope it is true, that the Scots of Hongkong will have a braid bright night the night. To those who are only bent on taking and tions, it is somewhat difficult to appreciate the | Capt. I. Douglas, Messre, W. D. Graham, I enormous amount of trouble entailed in transforming the every day sombre halls of the City Hall into fairy palaces as if by some magic touch. A representative of the Hongkong Telegraph, visited the scene of to-night's festivities in the early part of this moreing, and it was both pleasurable and interesting to watch the place being turned into cosy bowars worthy of a queep. Among the decorators, were a couple of Jack Tars. whose handiness and versatility are invaluable on such occasions. As the visitor enters the specious sairance hall, he sees the pillars entwined with bright festoons of greenery. The passage way is lined with forms and palms and

a mass of luxuriant greenery. The slopin balustrades have fixed flower pota at re gular intervals. On reaching the landing of the first flight of the grand staircase, a huge mirror faces the visitor, which will serve to reflect Hongkong's beauty as one by one they enter the merry precincts of a bospitable people. Immediately over the top, the lion rampaut stands in all the majestic attitude of the device. On the two sides of the polished surface of the mirror, the dates " 1847" and 1008 stand out on a blue ground, denoting the sixty-first appliersary since the inception o the Society. Right opposite the mirror, and supported on the side of the balcony, is Scotland's national emblem—the thistle. The stalk is of green, the crown red, and the huge emblemartificial but marvellously like the real by the artistic sense of the decorator—is finished with a white crest, the whole being a mass of glowing and scintillating lights. St. Andrews Cross-white on blue ground-is in evidence everywhere and other similar devices with the thistle in the centre meet the eye on every side. Heraldic shields depend from the walls and trophies innumerable are tastefully as ranged in the right places. Multi-coloured electric bulbs peep out from among the plants. The decorations everywhere are profuse but at the same time free from being tawdry.

Stepping into St. Andrew's Hall, the first thing to arrest one's attention is a beautiful printing of Edinburgh Castle by night from the brush of Mr. Duncan, of the Hongkong and Whampon Dock Co. Below it, is the figure of St. Audrew in the act of blessing. At the apposite and of the room, the Society's emblem is displayed. Portraits of Scotland's noblest snos and daughters bang on the walls, among which are Sir Walter Scott, Robert Burns Mary, Queen of Scots, the Fifth Duke of Gordon and John Knox, with appropriate legends under each. The rest of the decorations consists of the same bright illuminations

The adjacent room-St. George's Hallthe buss" sort of thing at St. Andrew's Ball, I d ffers in a slight degree in its decorative effect. -7 he beautiful painting of the late Oucen Victoria is surrounded by Union Jacks and luxuriant foliage. Opposite is a huge St-Andrew's Cross composed of greenery picked out in lights, with the lion rampant in the centre. Flags and palm's complete the embel.

The theatre, which is to be used for the supper-room, has perhaps proved the most difficult portion of the City Hall so far as the last night at the City Hall by sons and carrying out of the decorations is concerned. I daughters of Scotland and their fortunate guests The two chief features of this part of the build- who must have reached considerably beyond og are the words " I'll drink a cup tae Scot- the thousand figure mark. In attempting to give and, yet," which occupy the panels at the back. a description of the great annual function, we of the theatre and the Gorden tartan which would rather not use the backneyed and conruns along the balcony and forms a dainty | ventional phrases usually employed in defrieze. Shields bearing St. Andrew's Cross com- | scribing great social events such as that which plete the wonderful effectiveness of the decora- took place last night, but we are going to do

As for the reception room, very little has been done in the way of decorations, as it was thought | not easy by the use of mere words to conundesirable to stuff the place with unnecessary I vey to the reader's mind half the bilarious freedom to those seeking a spell of rest from I necessarily felt at the joyful gathering where the whirling throng.

make the Ball a success so far as the decorations are concerned. As nour representative given to understand, these two gentlemen

ging efforts the highest praise is due. As to the magnificence of the Ball itself, no words can describe that fascinating theme, and one has to go there to gain an idea of it. We will have the pleasure of recording that in our

THE OPENING DANCE.

The Ball will open with the Lancers, the official set of which will be formed as follows:- | possession of Great Britain, His Excellency the Governor and Mrs. i

sidept, and Mrs. Lvon.

K.C.B., and Mrs. Smith. Mr. J. R. M. Smith and Mrs. May, Mr. T. F. Hough and Mrs. Gresson.

and Mrs. Peter. Commodore Herbert Lyon and Mrs. MacKay. Mr. Murray Stewart and Mrs. Ormiston.

THE SUPPER PARTY." The following will be the order of the process on from the dancing rooms to the supper. the guests named taking their seats on the platform, and supporting Chief Chatham with Mrs. Lyon :-

H.E. the Hon. Sir H. Lambton and Mrs.

Mr. J. R. M. Smith and Mrs. May. Mr T. F. Hough and Mrs. Gresson. H E. Major-General Broadwood and Mrs.

Commodore Lyon and Mrs., MacKay. Mr. Murray Stewart and Mrs. Ormiston, · Honourable Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., and Mrs.

Honourable Mr. W. Rees Davies and Mrs. Honourable Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., and

Mr. R. Mitchell and Mrs. Gompettz. Honourable Mr. E. A. Hewett and Mrs. Bayard. Mr. W. Lethem and Mrs. Chamier. Mr. W. C. Jack and Mrs. Stewart.

The various committees are composed as

COMMITTEES.

INVITATION.-Hon. Mr. W. Chatham., C. M.G., Messes, I. R. M. Smith, Robert Shewan, T. F. Hough, C. H. Ross, R., Mitchell, W. C. Jack, that Scotsmen are somewhat parsimonious but in her present condition. W. Armstroog, Murray Stewart, A. S. Fraser. D. R. Law, J. C. Peter, Hon. Mr. A. M. Thumson, Mr. E. Ormiston, and Capt. Campbell tradict this. I will tell you a small anecdote advice would she take from the kind-bearted out that Heathcote, A.D.C., and Hon. Secretary (Con-

active part in to night's revelries without the H. M. Bain, W. D. Braidwood, A. Bryson, H. serious work of having to assist in the decora- F. Campbell (Convener), H. F. Carmichael, Hall, J.D. Logan, D. MacDonald, A. V. Monk. A. C. More, J. Paterson, A. Rodger, S. B. C. Ross, E. Grant Smith, G. Morton Smith, A. T. Walker, W. Wilson, and Hon, Secretary, DANCING & Music.-Mesers, C. H., Ross

(Convener), W. Armstrong, H. G. C. Bailey, A. Sinclair, T. S. Fraser, W. L. Carter, T. Skinner,

Some has meet and canna cat. And some was est that want Hut we has ment and we can eat.
And see the Lord by thenking -Saddle of Mutton Roses Turkey S.—York Ham:

S.—Roast Capon

S.—Corned Boef

S.—Pate de Fois Gras in Jelly

S.—Chicken Salad

So.—THE MAGGIS "Fair fa' your honest sonile face. Great chieftain o' the puddin' race, Freedom and whitey gang the things. Tak aff your dram. 13.—Goosebery

13.—Jellies

14.—Vanilla Ice Cream

15.—Chocolate Ice Cream

"Breathes there the man with soul so dead Who never to himself bath said 'This is my own, my native land, Whose heart hath ne'er wishin him burn'd. As home his footsieps he hath turn'd. From wandering on a foreign strand !!

THE DANCES. The dance programme will be as follows. With the exception of Nos. 8 and 16, which

will be played by the Pipe Band of the H.K.S B.R.G.A., the Band of the Buffs, under Bandmaster C. B. Hewitt, will play the following music to-night :--Lancers The Gelaha.

1. Caledonians......Scotch Airs. Walts manufacture Mr. McLood of Ramsay.

5. Eightsome Recl. Mr. McLood of Ramsay.

7. Calcdonians Manufacture The Highlanders.

8. Strathspey and Recl. Marquis of Huntly.

9. Walts. Marquis of Huntly.

10. Two Step 11. Walts Two Step Petite Tonkinoise.

LAST NIGHT'S FESTIVITIES.

ss. Waltz and Galop., Beautiful Danube and Post Horn.

OVER A THOUSAND QUESTS INVITED.

ist inst. What is unquestionably the chief social event of the year-St. Audrew's Ball-was celebrated just what the sages enjoined all wise people The ladies' rooms have, not been neglected. I not to do-we will boldly step where angels fear to tread. It will be admitted that it is

arrive by twos and threes. The Hon. Mr. of bacon" was appreciated. Mr. D. Harvey re-gathering groups of Chinese. The vivid Honourable Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G., Pre- W. Chatham, C.M.G., President-of-the Society, gave a faithful interpretation of the "Promise of colouring of Peking, its reds, vermillons, yellows met H.E. the Governor at the entrance along | Life" on his one-stringed violin and had to re- and blues, has darkened, and paled, into black H. E. Hon, Sir Hedworth Lambton, K.C.V.O. with the other members of the General Com. spondwith "Down the Vale" to the encores which and white. The effect, even in this wonderful mittee, some of whom were attired in all the greeted his first performance. Mr. Harvey al. supshine, is surprisingly sombre. Two views glorious picturesqueness of the Highland plaid | so appeared in a duet entitled "La Serenata" and sporran. His Excellency was then piped to | with Mr. W. Anderson (oboe). Mr. Phillip's up the National Anthem as soon as the vedly applauded. Mr. E. B. Ayris' "Love, ball-room was reached. The Ball was offi- could Conly tell thee" and "Come with me cially opened by the dancing of the Lancers. I the garden, Maud" were, as usual, capitally The official set was composed as follows: -- I rendered. "Tom Brown" by Mr. F. A. Mac-His Excellency the Governor and Mrs. Chat. ham: Honourable Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G., President, and Mrs. Lyon; H.E. the Hon, Sir -Hedworth-Lambton, K.C.V.O.; -K.C.B., and Mrs. Smith: Mr. J. R. M. Smith, and Mrs. May Mr. T. F. Hough and Mrs. Gresson; H.E. His Excellency the Governor and Mrs. | Major-General R. G. Broadwood, C.B., and Mrs. Peter: Commodore Herbert Lyon and Mrs. MacKay; Mr. Murray Stewart and Mrs.

On the completion of the 8th dance the President's supper party adjourned to the Theatre. the party being piped from St. George's Hall into the supper room by Mr. H. G. C. Bailey. Ouring supper the Chieftain proposed the togst of privilege to welcome you here to-night on which plays so important a part in all mat. person. "Why? I'll tell you why. What ever played an important part in local affairs | get a husband?" our Society maintains its vigour and that its washed herself occasionally one of these fine members continue to be a power in the Colony | days she might be successful—it she didn't no anyons who is acquainted with the real "It is no good," the woman added, "I'm think, the probabilities of peace or trouble, which illustrates the true Scottish character. official and all attempts to cheer her up were I THE THEORY OF "MANAGEMENT" A clergyman visiting a parishioner in humble fruitless. vener), A. M. Marshall, R. Mitchell, G. Duncan, was offered a glass of milk. He demurred to place after Lam Mui had been arrested yester. the Edict issued on the attat of the Chinese entertaining you here to-night, but I presume and the arrest of the "man-hater," Lam Mul; lugly ill, her "advice" was to be dispensed with. being heard. W. C. D. News. it is unnecessary for me to repeat her kindly it is reported, accused. Wong of being in poswords of encouragement. In the ordinary, session of some of her shells, which the latter course of events, we must fall aside but I feel denied vigorously. A quarrel started, and Lam alteration the construction that, as a matter of sure I am echoing the wish of all members was alleged to have attacked the maniflinging him down on the beach; when I say — Long may our St. Andrew's tacked the maniflinging him down on the beach; and that, consequently, imperial Edicis, at the sure of the lines of the straighed in present juncture, require to be read between the line in the lines. Moreover, to arrive at a just apprear held by the above Company, took reads. poet I'm prood tae think that I'm a Scotuman tharge. Evidence was heard, after which she ciation of the situation, it has to be remember. the Tal Hang range on the born. (Applause).

was discharged on the ground that the charge ed that considerable ignorance Devails, even an attendance of thirteen members.

dram from the quach. He then himself partook of the quaich and offered a dram to hi chief gentlemen guests. The Scot who car ried in the whisky supplied each gentleman guest with a dram, after which, the interesting caremony concluded the whole being reminiscent of Scott's beautiful lines : " Broach ye a pipe of Malvoisie; bring pastries of the doe." The pipers played behind the curtain and the President reed his own and Hongkong Scots telegrams to Brither Scots of Tientsin, Singapore, Manila, Foothow, Wel-hal-wel Penang, Amoy, Shangbal, Yokohama, Kobe and Nagasaki to the following effect :- " Ohief "Chatham and Hongkong Scots greet Brither Scots.

"DAVID WOOD. Hon. Secretary.

The following replies were also read :-G. C. Anderson, past president of the Society to Hon. W. Chatham, C.M.C., President of Hongkonk St. Andrew's Society-Hall to the Chieftain, Scotland for ever. From Yokohama. "Chief Maclaren and Brither Scots send greatings. Tait, Secretary.

From Wel-hai-wei. "Hearty greetings from Brither Scots at Wei-hai-wei. Lockhart, Pre-From Shanghai, "President, St. Andrew's

Society, Hongkong. Chief Smart and Brither

Scots heartfly reciprocate greetings," From Foochow. "President, St Andrew's Society, Hongkong, Foothow Brither Scots heartily reciprocate kindly greetings. Rennie." From Manila, " President St. Andrew's Society, Hongkong. Chief Underwood and Brither Scots send greetings. Alex Yuill, Secretary." From Singapore. President St. Andrew's Society, Hongkong, Greetings frae Singapore

Brither Scots."

The highest praise is due to the excellent The Chairman proposed its confirmation string band of the newly-arrived. Buffs and the Indian pipers who so ably supplied the music for the Highland reels.--

ST. GEORGE'S CLUB. SMOKING CONCERT.

A very epicyable smoker was held under the ausnices of the above Club last Saturday night. when members and visitors were treated to a well-arranged programme which went off with a breezy swing from start to finish. Mr. George A. Diss was in the chair and all those who had the privilege of being present pronounced the impromptu musical treat a great success. ... It was rather unfortunate that Lieut. R. M. Crosse, R.G.A., was unavoidably absent, as that gifted amateur has made himself a favourite with Hongkong audiences by his witticisms. Mr. Atkins acted as accompanist for the evening and discharged his operous

duty to the satisfaction of all.

light in Hongkong some sixty-one years ago, said I'll stick to the Ship,""My Inquisitive to one's own realization, of what has taken it could hardly have entered the minds of the Kiddie," "The Absent-Minded Beggar" and place, in part to public and private mourning. few bolder spirits, to whose venturesome various ways of reciting Tennyson's "Charge All yesterday, there was a perpetual stream of efforts the existence of the Society is due, that of the Light Brigade," which do not need any | carriages driving to and from the Imperial the then humble little flociety would attain the comment. Mr. E.G. Jordan's "Let Me Sing | Palace, surrounded by clattering body-guards importance which it now enjoys. That such is and "Would you kindly pass the salt" were giv- slightly in excess of the usual number, and, at the case, everybody is aware, and we venture to | en in capital style. Mr. R. L. Bridger gave the various street corners and crossings, such as state that it will hold that importance as long "Noisy Johnnie" and "The Franchman" in the I those formed by the junction of the Tung-hua as the British flag flies over this sea-girt island | true spirit. Mr. W. Pelling's "You'd better | Men Ta Chieb and the Chin-ju Hu-t'ung with pull down the blind" brought down the house. I Morrison street, or in front of proclamations kintonh was well received. Mr. F. T. Chapple's "Asleep in the Deep" and "The Belfry Tower" were very pleasantly rendered.

UNWASHED FOR SIX YEARS MATRIMONIAL MARKET

sixty-four, has gone against the world in l-happen of sufficient importance to arouse any general and Mere Man in particular. Lam Mui, I serious anxiety. the "The King," which, having been honoured lifer that is the young damsel's name, has was immediately followed by a second. "The refused to bathe herself in any form since the is regarded as the most powerful man in Pek Pious Memory of St. Andrew." In proposing gay youths of Wanchai had ceased to throw ing and consequently, his infinence is reckoned the latter toust, the proud Chief, on whom goo-goo glabces in her direction. That was every eye was centred, said :-- Your Excel- six years ago and since then the lonely widow second view is that of men who, while they

the occasion of our great Scottish Festival. "Why don't I wash myself? she said, repeat- lits language, and in touch with a class of Scotsmen in all parts of the world are celed ing the question which was put to her by brating St. Andrew's Day and keeping alive police officer, who remarked subsequently that in an unaggressive way that national spirit he could hear the things crawling about her ters, social and otherwise. Scotsmen have the good of me washing myself when I can't and consequently, regard the situation with

CAPITAL INCREASED DAIRY FARM COMPANY MEETING

crease of the company's capital.

(manager), J. M. E. Machado, Chan Tong, and | engaged, in its administration, disheartening A. Seth (secretary). ov the Secretary.

tal of the company be increased by the sum of of Port Arthur from Russia to Japan made no in respect of which they may, on the 27th day Welhaiwal is hold, it seems to have been agreed of five shares held by them on that date, and to would be investors of capital that in the after such allotment shall be dealt with by the | China they need not look to the Home Gov. directors in their discretion.

carried unanimously. Article IX and by substituting therefor the that it has made following paragraph! The Register, or Registers, of shareholders and the Register of Transfers may be closed for such period or periods and at such time or times as the From Penang. " President St. Andrew's I directors may think fit, but the periods of such Society, Hongkong. Greetings fram Brither I closure shall not exceed in the whole to days in any one vear."

Mr. Chan Tong seconded.

Carried unanimously. -At another meeting held some minutes later it was proposed by the Chairman :- " That the directors be authorised to declare a bonus or dividend out of the Reserve and Cattle Reserve runds or out of the accumulated profits of the company sufficient to pay a call of \$6,00 per share upon the new capital already authorised to be raised by special resolution and that such bonus or dividend be appropriated for the purpose of paying such call." Mr. Machado seconded.

The resolution was carried. This was all the business of the meeting.

THE POSITION IN PERING.

YUAN SHI-KAI IN THE ASCENDANCY.

the correspondent of the N. C. D. News states:-Rumours concerning the ill health both | he excuses this sum by increased police force. of the late Emperor and of the late Empress- | and the newly created post of District Officer-Mr. Atkins opened the proceedings with an Dowager had been current in Peking for some it must be conceded that the cost of Weihal. overture, which was applauded. This was time, but as late as Monday evening last, pro- wei to the Empire, considering her own embellishments in order to provide air and merriment which one and all must have followed by numerous vocal and instrumental minent Europeans bere were assured that very slender resources, is extremely moderate, numbers, when the real fun of the evening reports were exaggerated. The news of the It should also be noted that the disbandment the "upper ten" did not consider it beneath | began, Mr. A. Hannibal, who sustained the Emperor's death came on Saturday last, and lof the Chinese regiment effected a large saving The above descriptions are by no means their dignity to intermix with the profeteriat. chief comic element of the entertainment, kept by eyening, was very generally credited to the Imperial funds. Expenditure has inas exhaustive as might at first sight be im- The general conviviality and the spontaneity his hearers in a continuous state of laughter in I I was not, however, till the following day that I creased from the previous year by mearly agined, but are only a few details which of good fellowship seemed to pervade the whole his own inimitable style which wonderfully the fact was placed beyond question. Within \$13,000. But the bulk of this is accounted for will serve to show the enormous responsible place, and was perhaps augmented by the caught on with the audience. He had to be less than twenty-four hours, came the news that by the cost of stores taken over from the lity of the work of decoration. - Messrs, Wynne absence of any "side," When a huge gather recalled again and again and it is diffic the Empress-Dowager had also passed away. I Chinese regiment, a non-recurring item; and and Duncan, of the Hongkong and Whampon ing comes from the four corners of Hongkong, cult to say which of the half-a-dozen. Thus, with a suddenness which has taken in the meantime the Territory's revenue has Dock Company, have worked as Trojans just as it were, determined to thoroughly enjoy items which that gentleman gave was everybody by surprise, the great moment which grown from \$76,777 in 1906-7 to \$80,531 in the as in former years and have spared no pains to | themselves, all sordid thoughts are relegated appreciated most. "He was a married man" | Europeans have long been anticipating, has | year under review. This is the highest point into the limbo of forgotten things, and this was a master stroke in which the subject look. The streets present a curlous study. Lyet reached, except in the two-abnormal years. exactly the case last night, and none who re- ed the very picture of despair and poor mere | Whilst there is not the slightest in- of the war, and is nearly four times the revente turned home after the Ball could have failed to man must have felt a momentary joy to be dication of disorder or excitement, there collected in 1991-2. So much of Henres have been the backbone of the decoration say to his conscience; "I've had a richt guid free from the thorny path of wedded life. The list accessary for a just appreciation of committee and to their untiting and ungrad- I time." When the St. Andrew's Society saw their other pieces, were "Seaweed,". "The Captain | and a vague suggestion of tragedy, due in part

are taken; by Europeans, of the THE PRESENT SITUATION.

H. E. Major-General R. G. Broadwood, C.n., St. Andrew's Ball, the Band of the Buffs striking | "King's Own" was ably rendered and deser. They differ astonishingly. The view of the principal newspaper correspondent, and, to certain extent, therefore, that of the various Legations is, in the first place, that there nothing suspicious in the events of the last few days, and, in the second, that even if there it is not worth prosecution. That is to say oxpert opinion takes an essentially quietist view of the whole affair.—It is held that if anything has been "managed" it is being "managed" in the best possible way, while, if the almost WIDOW OF SIXTY-FOUR UNSUCCESSFUL IN I simultaneous death of the late Emperor and Empress-Dowager is a coincidence, the best possible measures are being taken to avoid any unfortunate or disturbing results. It is Sad at heart because her chances of bagging I held, further, that, so far as Peking is concernanother husband was somewhat remote, a led disturbances are extremely improbable and "young thing," at the very youthful age of only I that, in the Provinces, nothing is likely to

> as being on the side of the stotus que. The lencies. Ladies and Gentlemen,-It is my has not washed herself! And she looks like it, cannot be called experts, have lived in China for many years, are thoroughly conversant with Chinese who represent what I may perhaps call ! middle-class street opinion. These consider the sudden death of both Emperor and Empress Dowager extremely suspicion something which must be called anxiety, since and our gathering here to-night is a proof that The police officer interposed that if she it falls short of equanimity. So far from revarding any "management" that there may have been as unworthy speculation, their per-(Applause). There is a prevalent idea abroad respectable boy would make a proposal to her sistent question is "who is behind all this" for on the answer to that question, depend, they Scottish character will, I venture to say, con- afraid my chances have gone for good." No I le contrasting these two views, I would point

H. E. YUAN BHIH-KAI

It does not seem to me altogether unreason E. F. MacKay, U. G. Mackie, Capt. Campbell
Heathcote, Apd. Mr. Murray Stewart, and
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Oard Rook—Messrs, G. G. D. Forsyth, baggis was watched with trees interest. The
haggis was played in by Mr. Balley and
placed before the Chieftan by Mr. James
Value. The Chieftan by Mr. James
Valu

WBIHAIWBI. A special interest is imparted to the reput Shortly after moon last Tuesday, an extra on Weibaiwei for 1907 by the fact that alnow it ordinary general meeting of shareholders in the publication, the Commissioner's name has an Dairy Farm Company, Limited, was held. The peared in the list of Birthday Honous as recipi business was to confirm special resolutions | out of a Kolght-Commandership of St. Michael which were passed at a general meeting held on and St. George. It is no empty compliment the 17th November, having reference to the in- to say that the honour was fully deserved. The history of the British occupation of Weihalwei There were present: Mr. H. Hinds | la too familiar to need further repetition here it chairman). De 1. W. Noble, Messrs, J. Walker | has been marked by extraordinary and to these vacillation by successive Governments. At the The notice convening the meeting was read | present time the Territory lives on a somewhat negative existence, upon the assurance given in Mr. Hinds proposed that the under-mention. February, 1906, by Mr. Runciman (then Undered resolution be confirmed :- "That the capi. | Secretary for Foreign Affairs) that the transfer S112,500 divided into 15,000 shares of \$7.50 difference to the British occupation of Weieach and that the directors be authorised to halwel; that no action was at present contemallot such shares pro rute among the existing. | plated by his Majosty's Government. But in shareholders according to the number of shares | view of the technical flaw in the lease by which of October, 1908, be registered, in the propor- that the wisest course is as far as possible, to tion of three new shares for each complete lot | ignore it. This fact, and the plain hint given that any of such new shares remaining over | possible event of the Territory's rendition to emment for compensation, are not calculated This was seconded by Mr. Machado, and to encourage the development of our possessions in Shantung. Yet in spite of the atmos-The second resolution submitted was :- phere of doubt and depression thus created. That the Articles of Association of the com- | there is incontrovertible evidence in the actual pany be altered by deleting paragraph 2 of condition and printed records of Weihaiwei

> MATERIAL PROGRESS during the six years for which Sir Stewart Lockhart has governed it Excellent roads have been laid out; bridges built; and the sweeping away of many old and crasy houses and the enforcement of sanitary observance have made the public bealth of the district as. good as it indeed ought to be considering its magnificent climate. Finally, the fact that an ates of 284 square miles and Troops inhabite ants can be kept in perfect order with a force of fifty-seven native police and three European inspectors, is evidence not only of the peaceful nature of the Chinese population (as the Commissioner modestly suggests), but also of the sympathy and good government which that population has learnt to expect in its foreign;

REPORT FOR 1967.

To come to details of the report now before us, it is seen that the grant-in-aid for the year 1907-8 was Lio,000. Money flowed sasily during the years surrounding the Russo-Japancse War, and once, in 1905-6. Weihaiwei's deficit was brought as low as Licoo, while for 1906-7 it was no more than Kaspo, But it appears to be considered by Sir Stewart Lock-Writing from Peking on the 17th November, | hart that £10,000 represents about the normal amount of assistance required and although

THE FINANCIAL POSITION. of Weihniwei. In the broader aspects of averyday life, we find that while the ordinary paths of commerce, are closed by the indeterminate status of the Territory, every effort has been taken to develop its natural resources. The growing of groundouts increases repldly, and with considerable profit. Fruit cultivation has been practised long enough to prove that apples, pears, plums, grapes, gooseberries and Shortly before nine, the guests began to Capt. Parke's "It was all through a little piece posted on walls and doors, hung dissolving and black currents can be successfully and profitably produced. Grapes in particular "ripened perfectly;" and with regard to apples the Commissioner remarks that American varie. ties keep well. Altogether there is no apparent reason why Weihalwei should not prove yet a useful orchard for the China coast, or even farther affeld. Afforestation was undertaken on a small scale 150,000 young fire being imported from Japan, which have done well, and certain other trees, shrubs and flowers are found to flourish exceedingly. Finally we may note that "a new dairy exected on the mainland has supplied milk of a good quality"-which suggests a fresh field of enterprise on condition of that one much desired essential, capital.....

· A SHORT COMPREHENSIVE SURVEY of the whole year the Commissioner remarks that "although the general trade of Walhaiwei does not improved the natives of the territory show signs of a gradually increasing prosperity. Prices go up, yet without producing any apparent change in the normal standard of living and agricultural property rises preatly in value. "To a great extent," says the Commissioner. this is due to a series of good harvests." But it is permissible for an outsider to lay some of the credit in other directions. The fact that "most friendly relations have been maintained during the past year between the of ficers of this. Government and the Chinese officials in the districts coterminous with this territory," (of which Governor Yuan Shu-hann's recent visit to Port Edward is a fair arample). taken in conjunction with the complete absence of serious crime within the territory, is abundant evidence of the acceptable mature of British mie in this occuper of the Embire. The establishment in Port Rdward of

A CHINESE VOLUMTEER FIRE BRIGADE! the members of which have shown "great keen. ness in attending the monthly fire practice in the alacrity with which civil cases of every description are taken to the official courts (presided over by Mr. R. Walter and Mr. R. F. Johnston) is preference to !! the vival Chinese method o entiating the good services of peace malous. are signs of the same feeling. What we may further consider is that such svidence carries does not rest entirely on distrust of convenient | with it a moral obligation that the new in-DECORATIONS .- Mesers, J. I. Andrew (Con- circumstances asked for a drink of water and The above interesting conversation took coincidence. It rests also on a comparison of fluences at work in the Territory, and clearly G. Grant, W. H. Donald, J. Walker, O. D. drinking it, as he thought the woman could day afternoon for seriously assaulting a mem. moon, and the one which followed it on the drawn. For the moment Weilalweil mine ap-Thomson, H. S. Wynne, R. Dickson, and Hon. not afford it, but she speedily reassured blm ber of the male tribe on the beach at the Praya part day. The former announced the death of parently be content to remain obscute, doing by saying "Drink it up, minister, drink it | Rest yesterday, Lam Mul and Wong To were | the Emperor, and appointed Prince Ch'un Re- good by stealth. But the fact that good has Supper and Wings.—Messrs. J. D. Auld, up. The soo just gets it onyway." (laughter) engaged at the time in searching for shells near gent with powers limited by the "advice" of been done, even in obscurity, is a powerful H. M. Bain. W. D. Braidwood, A. Bryson, H. We Scotsmen in Hongkong merely emulate Tal Woo Street. A dispute gross between them. The latter declared sixument for more equitable adjustment of its the example of our humble countrywoman in which led to Wong being sent to hospital that since the Empress Downger was exceed position when circumstances permit of its cale

INTERESTING CLAI'Y AUA'MST OWNERS OF "LOONGSANG,

LOSS OF A WIFE

An action which should be interesting to the shipping community—and what laterests our shipping friends is shared by the public in general-was mentioned in the Supreme Court." on the and inst. It was a claim brought by a coal coolle named Yun Wan, residing at 10. Cochrane Street, against the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited, to recover the sum of St. 300 as compensation for the loss of his wife, who met her death as the result of a collision between the steamer Loonesane and a passenger boat (No. 2565H) on board of which plaintiff's wife was a pastenger The collision was reported to have occurred shortly after five p'clock on the 10th lune last, when "the steamship Loongrang was leaving the harbour. The coolie boat with a grew and a number of passengers on board. was bound from Kowloon to Wanchai. In midharbour, through some reason yet to be explained, she was run down by the Loongsang. The force of the impact caused the lunk to hee! over throwing the passengers into the water. Several launches which were in the vicinity. including No. 2 police launch, went to render assistance, and rescued everybody, except an old woman Kwok Ng. alleged to have been plaintiff's wife, seventy-seven years of age, who was found drowned in the hold of the boat. The passengers and crew were landed at Kowloon by the various launches, while the waterlogged junk was towed to Causeway Bay, and beached. The Loongeang was delayed for a little while, but she was allowed to resume her journey after the necessary inquiries had been

When the case was called, Mr. One King Sing (for the plaintiff) said that he wanted a forther adjournment, which his friend consented to but only on cettain terms.

Mr. E. Davidson (representing the defendant company) stated that he had no objection to an adjournment, but his friend should be madeto pay the costs of the day-payment to be made before the case came before the Court

Mr. Justice Gompentz confessed he knew nothing of the matter. It was a private arrangement between the parties, he stated. Mr. Davidson-I want my friend's under-

taking for costs before I consout. The matter has been on the list for weeks." Mr. Kong Sing-To ask for taxed costs unusual.

Mr. Davidson said that it depended a good

deal on circumstauces. Mr. Justice Gompettz (to Mr. Kong Sing)-Why should I give you an adjournment? The answer was that all the witnesses for the plaintiff could not be found to be subpossed The case was also in the hands of Mr. Kong

Sing's interpreter and he had been ill for a Mr. Davidson understood that Mr. Kong Sing's interpreter had taken away the statements with him and under those circumstances would be unfair for him to go on. He would be slow to take the opportunity to press matters as they stood. It was a concession on the defendants' part to consent to the adjournment at all, and he did not see why the costs were The amount was not a consider-

auestioned. able cze. Mr. Kong Sing-We don't know what the costs will amount to. . Mr. Davidson—It is absurd for my friend to

ask for anything else. The case will have to go back for a formight-Mr. Instice Comparts—Why? Mr. Davidson-Because the Loongsang wil

not be here until then ... Mr. Justice: Gomports-Oan't the costs be Further discussion followed, until finally the undertaking for costs was given and the case

ACCIDENT AT A FIRE.

SHANGHAI FIREMEN ENTOMBED.

adjourned until Friday week.

The N. C. D. News of 25th Nov. reports:-<u>At. 11. a.m. vesterday a fire was discovered at</u> gro, Nanking Road. The brigade was immediately summoned by the alarm and arriving promptly on the scene succeeded in prevent lng the flames from extending beyond the adjoining houses on each side. As soon as the fire was under control the brigade left the premises in charge of the Departmental Engipper and the usual "damping down" then proceeded. While the Coolie Corps was thus engaged the roof of No. 519 collapsed and buried four coolies and Mr. Parkhil himself in the debris. A telephone message Capt. Eduardo Cyrillo Lourenço was immediately sent to the Centra Police Station and every available mas was turned out to the rescue. A number of firemen 'also returned to the scene and set work with a will to dig out the entombed men As fast as the coolies were carried out they were sent to the Shantung Road hospital ambulances, and fortunately three of them were found to be suffering more from fright than anything else their injuries only being a few unimportant cuts and bruises, Drs. Macleod and Milles were on the spot, soon after the occurrence and examined the men as they were carried out.

Mr. Parkhill was rescued fourth, and although suffering from a nasty cut in the left hand at once set to work with the rescuers excavate the remaining coolie, who was still buried under a mass of tiles and bricks. This man was eventually extricated and being found to be more seriously injured than the rest was at once sent off to Hospital for treatment. In view of the mass of roof material that fall in the victims of the accident escaped very lightly from their trying experience.

MORB RACE GRIFFINS. ARRIVAL OF SECOND BATCH.

Another batch of subscription griffins numharing twenty-three in all arrived by the steamer Hang Bang, to-day. They were drawn for this, afternoon at Kennedy's Causeway Bay Repository. The result of the drawing is Lieut D. Nuno M. do Carmo Noronha

appended.;--Mo. 25- White-Capt, Barker (Buffs), No. 26-White-General Broadwood. No. 27—Bay—Admirai Lambton. 💯

No. 28-Bay-A. Moir. . No. 29-Chestaut-Capt. Houblon (Buffs).

No. 30-Chestaut-C. E. Anton. No. 11-White-Lieut, Leeson.

No. 32-Bay-J. R. M. Smith. No. 35-Dark Grey-A. C. Hynes.

Wo, 34-Black-Major Pinlay. com Mouse-Gray-Rind and Hynes.

No. 30-Ross-Macdonald and Howarth, No. 17-Iron Gray-P. W. Goldring.

No. so-Grey-Lieut, Btodd. North-Whiter-G. Friesland.

BNO. so-Bay-H. P. White. ATTO AT Chestatit W. J. Gresson.

No. 44. Grey - Y. B. Daacon.

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MONEY LOAN AUSOCIATION CLAIM.

The perplexities of a Chipese Money Loan ssociation were explained to Mr. Tustice Gomperts, who presided in the Summary Jurisdiction Court. [ast Tuesday. lin al garnished] stue which came on for trial a

Not so very long sgo, the reader will recollect. Trang Kam, the proprietor of the Man Hing Loong firm, of 195, Des Voux Road Central, sued and obtained judgment (by default) against Li I al Tong, a trader, of at, Wing Lok Street, who was sued for \$310.67. the balance of seven instalments of a certain. money loan association. The question as to whether Li Lai Tong (the original defendant) satisfied the claim is not what we have to deal with and as a matter of fact it was not mentioned during the trial. The case in point was to recover from an affered carnishee (Kwok Fook) the sum claimed from Li Lai Tong in the original action, as it was alleged that Kwok Fook was indebted to Li Lui Tong in a certain sum, and consequently the plaintiff was entitled to recover Li Lai Tong's debt from him. Mr. E. Davidson, of Messrs, Hastings and

Hastings, represented the plaintiffs. Mr. Otto

Kong Sing was for the garnishee. It was stated in the plaintiffs cause that judgment was given in his favour for \$116.67 and costs against Li Lai Tong. The ground of action was that the plaintiff was a member of a money loan sesociation, of which the defendant (Li Lai Tong) was the promoter. The original claim was for instalments paid by the plaintiff to the defendant as a member of this association, in regard to which he was never entitled to draw any thoney. The history of the association was then gone into by Mr. Davidson, and we confess that it is beyond our comprehension. He said that the association started some seven months and; with ten members. It was a \$50 a month association. Every month a drawing was held." and any member who bid the best rate of interest for the month " entitled him to the amount subscribed by the rest of the members. Each member paid \$50 to the lucks "guessor," less the interest named by th drawer, "who was entitled to repay the lot." In all the plaintiff paid Str6 and he such I the defendant, when the association was closed to recover his share and obtained judgment by default. The defendant did not deny liability, The garnishee (Kwok Fook) was also member, and he contributed to the association

debted to the defendant in the sum of \$150, which the plaintiff was claiming. The garnishes denied owing the defendant anything, and called witnesses to substantiate

for six months. At a recent meeting he ten-

dered \$34.40, the highest rate tendered, and he

got the draw. According to the regulation he

was liable to pay every month \$50, but he only

paid one instalment; consequently he was in-

his statement. Mr. Justice Compens gave judgment favour of the garbishee with costs. It was held by his Lordship that the judgment creditor had not made out his case.

SOUTH CHINA FLOODS.

MACAO RELIEF'.CONTRIBUTIONS."

The official statements of accounts of monie collected by the Santa Casa de Misericordi of Macao in aid of the South China Flood

-Relief-Funds are as follows !---Receipts Premium on Macao and Hongkong

Net receipts of two performances · Payment.

Total-....\$7,020.00 By remittance through the Poituguese Consul at Canton\$7,929.00 : Subscription list.

Government of Macso \$5,000.00 -Appropriation: from the Poor Box Santa Casa de Misericordia of Macao. St. Joseph's Seminary Sé Cathedral Chapter Privates of the Artillery Corps Mrs. Anna Thereza Fereira H. E. the Acting Governor, Francisco Rt. Rev. Bishop João Paulino d'Azeve-Antonio d'Oliveira Manarte A. H. Wilzer

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Miranda Captain Damilo Martins Percira de Meneral Dr. Evaristo d'Espectacilo Pinhairo d'Almeida Colonel Fernando José Rodrigues Major José David Freire Garcia Rev. Jr. José da Costa Nunes General Francisco Paula da Luz Dr. Adelino Barbosa de Lemos

Lieut. Antonio Julio Guimaries Lobato Lieut. Augusto Carlos Cabral da Silva Rev. Dr. Antonio José Gomes Dr. Cerar Augusto Freire d'Andrade... Capt. Francisco Antonio de Mesquita Francisco Xavier dos Remedios Francisco Xavier Roque Mundo

Rev. Fr. Alvaro Martins Coroado

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Carlos Eugenio d'Almeida

MISCONDUCI CHARGED WITH BRIBE-TAKING

An Indian policeman (Patteh Singh) who was stationed at Yau-ma-tl Police Station, was charged before Mr. J. H. Kemp, in the Police Court to-day, with accepting a bribe from bawker named Wat Tsoi on the toth instant Wat Tsoi resides in Macdonnell Road, Tsimtea-tsui, and solls fruit outside his house.

Mr. G. N. Orme (deputy superintendent) police) prosecuted. The defendant was unrepresented. He pleaded not guilty to the charge "It was stated that on the afternoon of th 17th instant the defendant, who was ton duty ordered the compainant to remove his stal from Macdonnell Road clauwhere, as, he alloged complainant was causing an obstruction. After a long conversation the defendant said that i he was given a bottle of saws as he would not arrest the hawker. Complainant asked what kind of samsha he wanted. Defendant replied "Gin." Complainant agreed to let him have bottle on the following day, at 4 p.m.: An hon before the appointed time complainant reported the matter at the Water Police Station, and a watch was kept, but defendant did not call for the bottle notil the day after, when he went to complainant's house. A bottle of whisky was handed to him in the presence of a sergeant who was concealed in the room. Defendant was leaving the premises, with the bottle under his tunic, when he was arrested.

he Court (to complainant)—How much did you pay for the bottle?---Sixty cents. How did you know what kind of whisky to buy? -- When I went to the compradore's shop asked what kind of liquor the Indians drank How long have you been at this corner bawkpg?-Four years.

And no objection was made?—No. A Chinese police sergeant said that on the (7th IDSIAD) he saw delendant chasing the com plainant away from his post. Complainant removed one of his stalls and as he was returning for the order, delendant asked for his licence Defendant examined the licence for a while and witness heard him tell the complainant to stay where he was, and defendant walked away, He stopped after covering a few paces and call ed the hawker to him. A conversation, which lasted for about five minutes, followed between

the men. Bergeant Caygill gave evidence to the effect that at 6.30 p.m. on the 19th instant, the complainant went to the station and made a report about the defendant. Witness accompanied complainant to his house, got into a position, where he could see the whole of his shop, and waited for about ten minutes, when he saw the defendant coming along. The latter had a good look around and opened a conversation with the complainant, who gave him a bottle of whisky. Witness then allowed him to go a good distance up the street, and arrested him. The defendant's beat, the witness added, was in Yau-ma-ti. He was across the boundary when he came to Tsim-tsa-tsul. Defendant had been four years in the service.

The Court (to Mr. Orme).-What was the.delay in charging the defendant?-The case was reported first as misconduct. The defendant did not wish to make any statements, but asked for the case to be adjourn-

ed for to call witness.

The charge brought against Fatten Singh an Indian-police-constable, formerly stationed at Yau-ma-ti, for accepting as a bribe at Buttle of whisky from a hawker at Kowloon the other day, particulars of which we recorded recently, was concluded in the Police Court yesterday, Mr. J. H. Kemp sent the accused to gaol for six months. In passing sentence his Worship said that the offence was p -very-serious one. He had taken into account the good character of the defendant but he could not impose a less sentence.

TRAGIC DUATH OF MR. R. MARKWICK.

FORMER HONGKONG RESIDENT SHOOTS HIMSKLT.

About 9 a.m. yesterday, as the employees of I 500,00 the China Mutual Insurance Company were 300.00 arriving at the office, No. 13a Canton Road. roo,co the report of a shot was heard and on proceed-50,00 ling to the rear part of the building, from which the sound seemed to have come, Mr. Kittaler, 25.00 one of the office staff, found the body of a foreigner lying on the landing in the middle Diogo de Sú 100,00 of the back staircase. Assistance was called for and on closer examination it was found that the foreigner was Mr. Richard i Markwick, who had for many years been smployed by the insurance Company. Blood 50.00 was issuing from the mouth, nose and cars, and at the side of the body was a six-20.00 chambered revolver. Mr. Markwick was un-20.00 conscious, but was still breathing, and was 20.00 carried to the top of the stairs by Mr. Kittaler 20.00 and Mr. J. C. Burgess, Dr. Goode, medical 20.00 director of the Company, was immediately sum-20.00 moned by telephone, but the injured man was 20.00 I then beyond the power of medical assistance and 10.00 a few minutes after the arrival of the doctor he expired. The deceased was in Hongkong in 1861 1000 and had been a resident of Shanghai since 1883. Almost from the time that the Chine 10.00 Mutual Insurance Company came into being he was employed by the firm, and although for 10.00 a short period he joined the service of the 10.00 | Shanghai Life Insurance Company, he after-10.00 wards seturned to his previous employment. 10.00 He wasfor many years an enthusiastic volunteer 6.00 and a member of the Artillery Company and 5.00 though not taking an active part in athletic 5.00 | sports was always an interested speciator o both cricket and football matches and one of 5.00 | the most earnest supporters of the Shangha Recreation Club.

5.00 The body was removed to the Public 5.00 Mortuary, Pearon Road, and an inquest was Wells. 5.00 opened yesterday morning by the Coroner, Mr W. King.

John Cocil Burgess, a clerk in the employ-5.00 | ment of the China Mutual Insurance Company 5.00 | identified the body and stated that he be 5.00 I known the deceased for eighteen months. H last saw him alive when he called at the office 5.00 about ten days ago. Prior to that occasion 5.00 witness had called to see the deceased at the 5.00 | Shaughai General Hospital, Mr. Merkwick 5.00 had been ill since the middle of September and

NATIONAL MODENING

The Committee of St. Andrew's Society is be commended for its tactful decision to postpone out of respect for the Chinese pation now in mourning, the Caledonian Ball, which was to have been given next Monday (30th Nov.). This annual function has become such a recognized faiture of the social fille of the community that it partikes of the nature of an official celebration, and as such would rightly not be held during the period prescribed for the national mourning in honour of the late Emperor and Empress Downger. Nevertheless, it is no right undertaking to cancel the arrangements, already in train for the big gathering, and we may be glad in this case that soutiment has prevailed over material considerations. Official mourn ing" as observed by the representatives of foreign nations, although an indication of international "good fealing, losss much of sympathetic character, because it is universal But with St. Andrew's Society, which might have felt tempted to plead the custom of Western nations in the matter of mournlog. the postponement of the Ball is no partunctory: step. Rutopean countries do not indulge in such a lengthy period of national mourning, and no offence could have been legitimately taken by the Chinese, if the Ball had been held, as arranged, a fortnight after the date of the Empire's bereavement. But the committee has responded to the fealing of the whole community in its tactful action. The Chinese nation. Tolywhose vast territory we occupy this infinitesimal portion, with half a million of its own people cager immigrants for the sake of the advantage of Western administration. has its own regulations for these occasions, and British instincts prompt us to conform with them in all essential points. We can but admire the complete donned the outward emblems of bareavement. and have transformed almost in a day the vivid colouring of their surroundings to the sombre hues that tradition requires. If in any point the strict letter of the Edicts has been ignored. way may attribute the omission to the inevitable desire of a people gradually acquiring self-consciousness to become emancipated from old-world restrictions ill-suit-

'ed to the strengous conditions of modern' life. This new phase in Chinese life has played its part in the unfortunate controversy raging during the last few days round the native theatres in the Settlement. According to the prescribed regulations the national mourning should include the cassation of all music for a period of a hundred days, and a proclamation to that effect has been posted throughout the town The effect of such an injunction would be to compel all theatres to close their doors, and with a view to baving this measure adopted the Council was approached on the subject, by the Chinese authorities. At the same time, however, runners from the Mixed Court, acting as far as is known under the direct instructions of the Magistrate, appeared at the theatres and ordered the proprietors in the name of the Magistrate to close their doors. Such a step was a very serious abuse of the Magistrate's position and it is clear that the Council could not brook his interference in the affairs of the Settlement. To this grave breach on the part of the Magistrate's subordinates must be attributed the Council's apparent lack of sympathy with the request for the closing of the theatres. Emphatic protests were made by the proprietors who urged that the literal enforcement of the proclamation would virtually ruin them. The Council, as we know, could not reconcile itself to such a harsh enactment and rejused to consent to any enforced closure of the theatres. for more than three days. While we regret that there should be any false note in the outward expressions of foreign sympathy with the Chinese in their national mourn log, it is not difficult to understand the Council's dilemma. If the Magistrate had stayed his all too realous hand and had allowed the Taotal to approach the Municipal authorities in a proper manner, some perfectly satisfactory arrangement would have been reached. It is true that according to our The N. C. D. News, of 28th ulto., reports: Western ideas there must always have been rejuctance to interfere with the personal liberty of our Chinese fellow-residents to the formidable extent contemplated in the proclamation.

but at least a happy means could have been arrived at, without allowing the incident to assume the proportions of an international Even as things are, there is good reason to believe that the subject has had no injurious effect on the relations subsisting between the Municipality and the Chinese officials; for with a clear appreciation of all the facts of the case the Taotai, we understand, is satisfied with the closing of the theatres for three days. The demand for the full enforcement -of -- the proclamation would have come with greater strength, if there had been any indication that it was backed by public opinion. But none of the numerous guilds moved in the matter, and the fact that on the night of the re-ppening, the theatres were as

crowded as ever and have remained so implies that popular prejudice would be against the harsh regulation. When we recall the alacrity with which other details of public mourning that no leniency should be shown to the have been subscribed to, it would seem that the Chinese sense of the fitness of things is slowly. rebelling against old-time customs that have little to commend them to a more, colightened age. Certain it is that in the light of the postponement of the Caledonian Ball this community cannot be charged with showing lack of sympathy with the Chinese in their national bereavement. Some people will be found to enlarge upon the controversy over the closing of the theatres to but as we have shown, the misunderstanding was caused by an unwarranted enroachment upon the rights which make for law and order in the Settlement.-N. C. D.

ATTACKED BY RUPFIANS.

Leung I Fong is a dark alleyway at West oint running between High Street and Th I Street, and is well known as the renderrous of tuffans after night-fall.

CHINA: OPIUM: AND THE POCTORS.

Recent reports from China indicate that for

the first time in their history the progressive elements of the pation are united in an attempt to suppress the oplum babit throughout the country. If the attempt proyes successful. is sincetaly to be hoped and as seems likely the Chinese themselves will deserve the ful credit i for nothing but a national crusade could eradicate so widespread a habit, and foreigners even with the best intentions, have hitherto effected very little. In many cases their interests were engaged on the side of opium, the menufacture and sale of which has for many years afforded employment to thousands and furnished a large liem of national revenue. But even apart from this, there has been much scepticism as to lita evil results on the part of many whose interests were not involved and who were, or ought to have been in a position to know. This diversity of opinion bas hitherto impeded the attempts of philanthropists to suppress the trade.

The most important of the various official

inquiries on opium was the Royal Commission

of 1803-4. This Commission issued a Report in five large volumes, containing two thousand double-columned pages, in which were present ed the opinions of over seven hundred witnesses in India and nearly two hundred in China including – nativo * and / European * * medica missionaries, merchants, landown opium-cultivators, &c., and which forms a tangled jungle of the most diverse opinions, that would have the effect of dis couraging the average man from the effort of forming a decided opinion for or against. As a matter of fact, this Report has since proved a happy hunting-ground for both parties. Missionary witnesses were unanimous against the practice; but many medical men declared that unanimity with which China's millions have in moderation it is barmless or even benefici al : some said that it is necessary to the poorer classes in order to enable them to bear up against the toilsomeness and cheerlessness of their lives; others declared that, owing to the monotony and poverty of their diet, it has far worse effects on the poor than on the wellclasses. Sir John Strachey, affirming that the Sikhs are habitual consumers; said that "the best practical answer to those who inveigh against the use of opium would be to bring one of our crack opium-drinking regiments to London and exhibit them in Hyde Park." Other officers of Sikh regiments testified that the habit is confined to middleaged or old men, it being very rare for a young Sikh to take opium at all : while Lieutenaut-Colonel Reid said that other babitual epiumeaters are marked men in the regiment and are not trusted like the others. "I would not I belonged to the band of the Buffs. On Friday enlist an opium-eater if I knew it." Equal discrepancies are found in the statements as to its supposed medicinal virtues, some doctors ranking it almost with quining as. a prophylactic against chills and fevers, and 'saving that to the inhabitants of marchy, malarious districts in India and China it is a necessity of life, while the majority deny it all virtue of the kind, one saying ; to be made, by order of the Coroner, hich "The grain of truth underlying all this talk about the beneficial use of opium in malaria is its power of lessening the discomfort felt in the cold stage of the attack." One army surgeon declared that "under no circumstances does opium produce disease of any kind and instead of shortening it lengthens life. and that "the opium-eater is, as a rule an active, energetic being, capable of cany amount of physical and mental labour and in

a competition, whether physical or mental, wil

articles of diet veil the ill effects, of the habi

for a long time, says ; ... But the process of di-

gestion being slowly impaired, malnutrition is

sure to supervene. In confirmed opium-eaters,

comparatively trivial attacks of ordinary disea-

ses, such as fever, diambæs, bronchitis, colds,

and especially dysontety, have generally a grave

prognosis; almost every medicine fails to pro-

duce its reaction on the system, and, as a rule,

defeat his non-opium confrare": while another.

coinm-eaters die of very trivial complaints." In the present movement in Chine, however, there appears to be none of this hesitation or half-heartedness. The obstacles, it is true, are serious enough, but they arise from the force of inertia and from the difficulties of carrying out the decrees of the Government owing to the size of the country, its decentralised condition, and lack of communications. A law was passed quite recently which prowided for the licensing of all smokers after October 26th, and the Government has decided that the period of the final enforcement o the probibition of opium shall be decreased to five years. Last month, also, a more stringent instruction was issued to all the provinces ordering them to report the progress of the decultivation of the poppy within two months. The Fokien Viceroy wired to the officials of various districts, instructing them to stop the cultivation within two months: any disobey they are to be severely punished and the land under the prohibited crop is to be confiscated. The Empress Downger intimated to a high official that China must act up to the spirit and letter of her Treaty with Great Britain dealing with the opium question, and most highly-placed smokers, otherwise would be difficult to force the common peonle to give up opium. In consequence of this a census has been taken of the number of smokers among the Imperial Clausmen with a view to enforcing the Prohibition Law among them. H. E. Na Tung, well-known an one of China's, "strong men," has given orders that all opium-smoking utensils seized shall be burned at the North Gate of Peking Some of the items of intelligence have a

Chen Chi Tai, memorialised last month that owing to a recent attack of dysentery, he has become accustomed to the ppium habit and asked to be allowed to retire. The memorial was returned to him, granting him a hundred days within which to cure himself of the habit after which he was to return to his duties. It seems as if ridicule and the sense of the ludicrous with CARPENTERS' EXPERIENCE AT WEST FOINT which the Chinese, despite their general stoli dity, are well provided, are to be called in to aid the good cause The Superintendent o Police at Canton, we are told; has had made twenty thousand wooden licences for Canton. These licences are ten inches long, eight wide. 5.00 had been away from office since that time, with At about nine o'clock last Tuesday night two and three-lenths of an joch thick. On one side 2.00 the exception of a few days." Witness did not carpenters, one of whom was named Mok Kwai, is written the name and address of the licensee 2.00 know the nature of the illusts. He did not had a rather rough experience while using this and the quantity allowed him per diem ; on the 2,00 | bear the revolver shot, but was called im. | alleyway as a short cut to the house of other are the new oping regulations, which are 200 mediately afterwards and saw the body. He a friend, whom they were going to meet. Four far more stringent than those, on the licence 2.00 | telephoned immediately for Dr. Goods. He | men, who had been hiding themselves in a door- hitherto, used. One of the rules is that smokers 2.00 was called by Mr. Kittaler, who had tried to way, rushed out and attacked Mok Kwai, who was who go to purchase opium are not permitted to 2.00 carry the deceased to the head of the stair coming up a few paces behind his friend. He wrap up these licences or to conceal them 2.00 care, When withess arrived, Mr. Markwick was seized by the hair and thrown to the in any way, but must wear them conspicuously proached Policeman Attewell, who was ion 2.00 was still alive and was lying half-way up the ground. While down another man sat on his so that all may see them. Anyone found con-2.00 | before the arrival of the doctor, because the | while the fourth man started to rifle his pockets | ence and more on subsequent occasions. One 1.50 body was lying in a very cramped position. Mok cried loudly for belp and his friend ram would think that none but bardened simpers Loo The revolver was lying at the side of the body to his rescue. The maranders were taken by would be willing to parade the streets with a look Can do, masse, the coolie west on har T.00 | in a pool of blood. The deceased was moved | eurprise, and boited in different directions | len-by-eight inch board attached to their per- into notice to the officer are planticked 1,00 to the top of the sairs and was then breathing once they had got clear of the alloy, allow and sous calling attention to their weakness; and

piche capitalists who financed the great Trans continental Rallroads. Similarly it might be said that all the labours of missionaries and philan thropists, however praiseworthy, to hwalehe China and combat the onlum habit and reher evils have not bad so much effect as the seifish pess of foreign Powers in bringing China through the bitter consciousness of her week ness, to a sense of the necessity for appendy reform. Now there can no longer be any doubt that the nation is awake and came soncelorward return to her speight sompolence her evolution is perhaps the most intemet and important problem in the world-politics a our times. Johan Chronicle.

AFIRR THE BALL

A REVELLER'S STRANGE EXPERENCE.

A strange story of a sea-going gentleman's strange conduct bas come to our notice 1 appears that one of the stragglers who left the scene of merriment at the St. Andrew's Ball in the wee sma hours of this morning maxpect edly found his way to No. 2 Police Station The first person to accost his dated vision was a intone. Whether the merrymaker saw one two or three success we are not in a position to say but we do know that the skipper asked in a happy-go-lucky sort of way! "Can ye tell me what I ken get a coble t tak me per to St Andrew?." The speaker used a broad Scotch dialect and of course it is only natural to expect that the lukong understood Scotch. The first thing the worthy guardian of the public peace did was to point to the water, and had it not been for the prompt arrival of Inspector Fenton, we would probably have heard of the distance between Wanchai and Hunghom covered in record time-d la Webb. Fortunately, nothing untoward occurred and wa iancy the old salt has by this time recovered from his half-seas-over condition.

SOLDIBR'S SAD END.

CUT HIS THROAT IN MURRAY BARRACKS

Soth Bilds

The mortal remains of Lance-Corporal T. R. Smith, who committed suicide by cutting his throat on Friday night last, were laid to rest at Happy Valley this morning. The funeral was, of course, a military one, and a large number of deceased's personal friends followed the gun carriage. At present the motive for the man taking his life is not known. The deceased who was, comparatively speaking, a young man, night he was reported missing, and afterda search he was found lying in one of the out-I houses in Murray Barracks, where he was I cuartered, with his throat cut, A sazor was discovered by his side. The body was taken It to the Military Hospital for burials The tra-Redy was not reported to the police until yes I terday morning and certain investigations had somewhat delayed the funeral.

PLAINTIPP ABSENT

INTERESTING ACTION MIPPED IN THE HUD

Wrongful dismissal, was the allegation put forward by Mr. M. J. Maber, a foreigner, formerly a clerk in the employ of the Dock Company, in support-of-his-claim-against-the-forea'ter-stating-that-milk-and-other nourishing man engineer-Mr. James Guy-which was called in the Supreme Court, last Wednesday afternoon. In the alternative he claimed \$50 in lieu of a month's notice.

When the time set to hear the case came the plaintiff was not present, and Mr. Justice Comperts inquired whether the matter had been

Mr. A. Holborow (of Mesers, Deacon; Looker and Descon) who appeared for the desence. said that he was inclined to believe that plain-

tiff had abandoned his claim. The name of the plaintiff was called in the usual way by the usher, but there was no respopse. His Lordship waited for five minutes and the non-appearance of the plaintiff in that time gave everyone the impression that he had refused to proceed with the matter.

Indement was entered for the defendant with

THE CHINA CRISIS AND TRADE

It is generally feared that the death of that Emperor of China will seriously affect Japania trade. In an interview with a representative of the Otaka Asahi. Mr. lida, manager of the Osaka branch of the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. after remarking that the news of the death of the Emperor had been followed by that of the Empress-Dowager, said that there was little doubt that these events had a great bearing on Japan's trade with China. but he could not share the fear generally entertained regarding their effect on trade. It was sunposed, continued Mr. lida, that the death of the Emperor took place when the Empress Downger had already sunk into a procarious condition, and hastened the end of the latter. Thanks to the promptitude of a few officials. who were able to prevent the Princes of the Imperial, family, and high officials, from disputing the choice of a successor to the Throne. the decision was made quickly, without affording any opportunity for intrigue, and commotion among the people was checked. This prompt action on the part of the Chinese official would be of much advantage to the trade with humorous turn. Another "Eminence," one I China. For the present no serious disturbance would break out as a result of recent events. The outlook of the trade with China need not be regarded with any particular pessimismin in the event-of a domestic disturbance breaking out of discord occurring among the Chinese high officials, or of the revolutionists rising the sufferers would be British, German, Japan. ese. and American merchants. The Boxes disturbance in 1000 dealt as almost fatel blow at the cotton-spinners of lapan. The fence lection of the calamity in 1000 led him to home sincerely that the disaster should not be re peated, and he was confident of the outlook. Toban Chroniola Santal William Chronical

POLICEMAN'S CUMSHA RIDE REPUSED A cools in charge of a first class rickshalan duty in Connaught Road last Monday strat Said het "Wanches she ?" The officer answered in the negative, and motioned the coolin avay.

A meeting of the T. ed slative Council was hold in the Council Chamber last Thursday, Present :- His Excellency the Gover nor, Sir Frederick Lugard, K.C.M.C., Hon Mr. F. II. May, C.M.O., (Colonial Secretary, Hon: Mr. W. Rees Davies (Attorney General) Hon, Mr. A.M. Thomson (Colonial Treasurer Bon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.C., (Director of Public Works), Hon. Mr. F. J. Badeley, (Captain Superintendent of Police), Hon, Mr. K. Jeving (Registrar General), Hon. Dr. Ho Kai M.B. C.M.G., Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock R.C., Hon, Mr. E. A. Hawett, Hon. Mr. H. A W., Slade, and Mr. C. Clementi (Clerk of Councils):

LEGISLATIVE OOUNCIL

H.E. MajoreGeneral R. G. Broadwood, C.B.

Before proceeding with the business, His Excellency desired, for the information of the public, to draw special attention anent typhopp signals, "He had discussed with the Commander-in-Chief of the Naval Forces in South China the chief points which would tend 'to mitigate the loss of life and destruction to proporty owing to atmospheric disturbances. What was required was a station somewhere in the south-east. He had also discussed the matter with the Manila authorities including Santo Domingo and emphasized the need of a frequent exchange of telegrams in order to lessen the chances of destruction to life and property consequent upon a sudden visit of the hurricane.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

MINUTES.

The Colonial Secretary, by command of the l Governor, laid on the table the following stables.

Objection to the site selected for the erection of a public latrine in the Wong-neichung Village.

2. Correspondence regarding the constitution of the Appeal Court.

FINANCE. The Colonial Secretary laid on the table the report of the Finance Committee (No. 18).

FINANCIAL MINUTES. The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes No. 61 and 68. It was agreed that they be referred to the Finance Com-

LATRINE FOR WONG-NEI-CHUNG VILLAGE. The Colonial Secretary moved:-Whereas application has been duly made by the Sanitary Board to the Governor under section 167 of. the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance 1903 for the erection of a public latrine in the Wong-noi-Chung village immediately to the south of it and near house No. 113: And Whereas such application been approved by the Governor and a notification of the intention to erect a public latrine upon such site having been duly published in three successive numbers of the Gazetts, certain inhabitants of the above village have objected to such erection: And Whereas the objections so made have been considered by this Council:

- It is hereby resolved by this Council that the above mentioned site and the erection thereon of a public latrine be approved.

The Director of Public Works seconded: Carried upanimously.

SANITARY BYE-LAWS.

The following bye-laws under Section 16. of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance. 1903, with the exception of (a), (b) (h) were unanimously approved Council :- (a) Bake houses: (b) Cattle sheds. Colony. Pig-sties, etc. (c) Cemeteries. (d) Daity. (c) Depois for Cattle, Pigs, Sheep and Goats. (f) Disinfection of Infected Premises. (2) Domestic Cleanliness and Ventilation. Importation and Inspection of Animals. Latrines. (f.) Laundry. (k.) Prevention and Miligation of Epidemic, Endemic, Contagious or Infectious Disease. (1.) Prevention of the breeding of Mosquitoes. (m.) Removal of

YAUMATI BUILDING COLLAPSE. The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, pursuant to notice, the followings question: -" Will the. Honourable the Attorney-General state whether he has any objection to give the reasons which governed him in not filing an indictment for manslaughter at the last sessions in the Portland

Street building collapse case?"

The Attorney-General:- The matter one of public interest and I am very glad of the apportunity of giving the reasons which govern-Me in the matter. They are as follows :-After the Coroner's inquiry the Prosecution obtained important expert evidence as to the construction of the buildings. This evidence did not establish such a degree of negligence as could justify a prosecution for manslaughter and in the opinion of the At torney General no jury could possibly have convicted having regard to it. The evidence also clearly demonstrated that the main supervision of the work was not con trolled by Mr. Bird and as a fact the Building Contract specifically defined the Architects to be "Clement Palmer and Arthur Turner" and did not include the name of Mr. Bird. This point, however, was not material having regard to the absence of proof of negligence previously alluded to. In the Shaukiwan case the evidence taken before the Coroner on the other hand clearly established grave negligence against the Contractor."

NEW TERRITORIES SMALL DEBT COURT. . The Attorney-General moved the first read ing of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to empower a Magistrate to hold a Small Debt Court in the New Territories and to regulate the procodings in relation thereto. The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Bill read a first time. - The Bill proposes to establish a Small Debts Court in the New Territories and to give a Magistrate jurisdiction to hear and determine cases where the claim does not exceed two hundred dollars and the defendant is resident there. The Bill provides the necessary machinery and empowers the Magistrate to refer cases, which he deems of sufficient importance to be dealt with by the Supreme Court and it also vests a power in the Magistrate to review a judgment given by him within one month of the date of such judgment.

MAGISTRATES ORDINANCE.

On the motion of the Attorney-General. seconded by the Colonial Secretary, the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Maglistrates! Ordinance 1890, and to effect certain other amendments in the Criminal Law, was read's first time ! # 1000 m. 71 16 :

"Thet bobjects and reasons" of the Bill are fully set out in the Attorney General's statement attached to the Bill, "It reads :-- :--This Bill proposes to effect certain amend-

ments in the Magistrates Ordinauce 1890 and faithe Criminal Law of the Colony: Section 3. This amendment empowers a Maristrate to order imprisonment in default of finding security for good behaviour. The power | briginal oil paintings from the Salon de Peris | which it referred to it in my letter; and it you expected, the absence of which leads you alteady exists in section 50 of the same Ordin- will be held in Hongkong. There will be over ance the the case of a person falling to enter | 200 exhibits from French masters Admission | ed from the beginning of Your Received ad So soon as the reply of the Secretary of

Section 4. This section extends the power of imposing whipping in the case of a youth

under sixteen. The object is to substitute whipping in cases other than those already authorised and so avoid imposing imprisonment where the age of the youth renders it undesirable. Promission

Section 5. Having regard to, section 80 of the Magistrates Ordinance, 1890, which cempowers a fine to be imposed in indictable cases it has been suggested that the phraseology...of the Stocks Punishment Limitation Ordinance 1887 is ambiguous. This amendment proposes the question beyond doubt and as a consequence section 11 of the Bill repeals the last named Ordinance.

Section 6. This section provides saleguards in the interests of a person ordered to pay compensation by a Magis rate for malicious prosecution or false testimony and it makes also provision for enforcing the order.

Section 7. Sub-section (1), follows the Straits, Ordinance recently passed, with the inclusion of words adapted to local conditions. Sub-section (2) restricts noisy trades carried on by the lessees of Crown lands. It has been found that such a nuisance in certain places is unchecked and the power of forfeiture contained in the Crown leases is deemed insufficient

Section 8. The term "street" in the Gambling Ordinance 1891 is extended so as to include a wharf, pied park, recreation ground or other open space.

Section 9. Chinese District Watchman are not in the view of the Magisterial Court ! public servants" within the meaning of the Misdemanours Punishment Ordinance 1898 and consequently not amenable to bribary under that Ordinance. The clause places them within such category. Section 10. This affords "Forest Officers similar protection to that granted to police con-

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

.The first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Fire Insurance Companies Ordinance, 1938, was passed on the motion of the Attorney General, seconded by the Colonial.

It was considered by the Board of Trade that The Fire Insurance Companies Ordinance 1008 does not safeguard the rights of creditors or of shareholders in the company. Provision is therefore made that if the company or any member or creditor feels aggrieved by the name of the company having been struck off the Register, the company, members or creditor may apply to the Court and the Court, if it be satisfied that it is just so to do, may order the name of the company to be restored to the Register.

. It is based upon the precedent in section 20 of The Life Insurance Companies Ordinance 1907 but is extended to include creditors as well as members of the Company.

INTERPRETATION ORDINANCE. The Attorney General moved, and the Colonial Secretary seconded, the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Fire Insurance Companies Ordinance (807 and to remove an ambiguity in the construction of

Bill read a first time. The reason for amending the Interpretation Ordinance is consequent upon the defect which was discovered in Ordinance 100. 3 of 1895 in a recent case which was before the Supreme Court in April 1908, brought for "Criminal Conversation and it was then discovered that by the effect of Ordinance No. 3 of 1895, the action for criminal conversation had unintenrionally been repealed and did not exist to this Colony. Furthermore this Ordinance No. 3 of 1805 enacted that since Ordinance No. 5 of 1865 this form of action was non-existent in the

COMPANIES ORDINANCE.

The following Bill was read a first time on the motion of the Attorney General, seconded by the Colonial Secretary :- A Bill entitled An Ordinauce further to amend The Companies Ordinance 1865.

This Ordinance extends to creditors of a Company the same rights as the Company or its members possess in the case of a defunct Ceiling and Stair Linings. (a.) Removal of Company being struck off the Register. PEAK TRAMWAYS.

The Bill entitled An Ordinance for Authorize ing the Construction of a Tramway within the Colony of Hongkong was not proceeded with. ADJOURNMENT.

The Council adjourned till Thursday, the ioth iast.

... FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held immediately after the meeting of Council the Colonial Secretary presiding. It was agreed to recommend that the following votes be adopted by the Council:-

TILAKE PIER SHELTER A sum of five thousand dollars in aid of the vote. Public Works Extraordinary, Miscel-

laneous, Blake Pier Shelter.

STATIONERY... A sum of one thousand seven hundred dollars in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services stationery.

MISCELLANBOUS SERVICES. A sum of eighty-six thousand five hundred and forty-seven dollars and sixty cents in aid of the vote, Miscellaneous Services, for the followint items:— Indian Police Remittances 7,600,00

Cancer Research Fund Tropical Diseases Research Fund ... Department of Chinese in London University

Imperial Institute Redemption of Subsidiary Coin 78,520.45

PUBLIC WORKS. A sum of one thousand four hundred dellars in aid of the vote, Public Works, Recurrent. Miscellaneous Services.

TREE PLANTING! A sum of nine hundred dollars in aid of the vote. B stanical and Forestry Department, Other Charges, for the following items:--

Forestry in New Territories,\$400 Tree planting, 500

BELILIOS PUBLIC .CHOOL. A sum of two hundred dollars in aid of the

HOUSE ALLOWANCE. : A sum of two hundred and eighty-five dollars in aid of the vote, Police and Prison Depart-

vote, Education, Other Charges, Belilios Pub-

ments, A.—Police, Personal Emoluments, Captain Superintendent, house allowance. TYPHOON DAMAGES, " A sum of sixty one thousand dollars in aid of the vote, Public Works, Recurrent, Miscel-

Inneous typhoon and rainstorm damages.

This was all the business. WITHIM the next few days an exhibition of and the Daily Press reported it in the way in a therefore at a loss to know what further tepl into a recognizance with sufeties to keep the to the exhibition will be by tickets, the proceeds I of which will be devoted to local charity

The Appeal Court. OUESTION OF CONSTITUTION

CHIEF, JUSTICE'S EMPHATIC PROTEST.

The following correspondence regarding the constitution of the Appeal Court, was laid before the Legislative Council by command of efternoon :--:

Chambers, Supreme Court, Hongkong, 25th September, 1908. not only of Europeans buttaiso of the Chinese. . 2. That the constitution of the Appeal Court I appeal a farce. is extraordinary in so wealthy a Colony as Hongkong is a fact which I have always admitted; that it is anomalous, that it deserves the strongest hostile criticism, may also be conceded. But that is a very different thing from saying that it is a farce; for this implies that the Chief Justice is obstinately tennelous of his own opinions, and that he will never change them whatever new arguments may be advanceed on the appeal. Such an idea is contrary to the high-and they are vary high-traditions of the British Bench to which I have the honour to belong.

3. I know that the idea 'to which Your Excellency gave expression was current in the Colony, and I took occasion some time ago in ence does not bear out Your Excellency's your mind .-- I have, &c., Court to say that the constitution of the Appeal | courteous intentions. The question is one Court being what it was I conceived it to be which I have very much at hearth and so long my duty to make the best of it, and I assured as I am Chief Justice of the Colony I shall conthe profession that I came to the hearing of and tipue to do so. Let me put to Your Excellency appeal with a mind absolutely free and treated two instances which will explain my meaning it so far as possible as a new case. Only rocently I said with the same object in view that | Chief Justice has to do the work of two Judges. a Judge is always assumed to have the honesty . Acting on information which was never subnecessary to reverse his own decision if, on mitted to me Sir M. Nathan practically infurther argument, it is shown to be wrong. A I formed the Secretary of State that this was not second argument often puts things in a new in fact. I have at last through Your Excellight, and points often occur to one which did lency's courtesy been shown this information, not present themselves on the first. A second | and have pointed out that it was inaccurate argument, and a second judgment; upholding I from 'beginning' to end." I have received no the first may lead to a clearer appreciation of answer, so that I must assume that my opinion the law, and prevent an appeal to the Privy is disregarded. Even the carefully drawn-up the present that I have had occasion to severee a judgment I have given; on minor points, 1. have frequently had occasion to change my periods of the year I have to work 'double yiows; and I can quite conceive the possibility I tides" to get through the work. One of such of my doing so on a crucial issue.

4. I am at the present time engaged in preparing a judgment on an important appeal; it took many days to argue in the Full Court : the writing of the judgment will probably take day, and though I am now half way through I. judgment will be. It is not impossible that. the Privy Council. Your Excellency will agree that when so much care is given to appeals the word "faice" is hardly applicable; and it is that an Appeal Court could be formed with the the more unfortunate, that such an expression assistance of the Judge of Shanghai. I learn of opinion should have fallen from Your Ex- from Your Excellency's speech in Council that cellency while a judgment in an appeal case is: the suggestion has been forwarded to the pending. 1.1 must confess that I should not I Secretary of State in the concrete form that the like to deliver a judgment even on a small I judge of Shangbai should come to Hongkook matter which was deemed to be given in farcial I to sit as an Appeal Judge twice a year. If Your conditions.... I think therefore that Your Recel- | Recellency had asked my opinion before send. lency will not heritate to remove the impression ling this suggestion forward, I should bave which must have been caused by the remark at | pointed out the difficulties in the way of making some future sitting of Council.

think it my duty to point out to Your Excel- the scheme. lency that I know no one who is familiar with I great inconvenience of suitors. I can only add I think differently. that I was in hones that the Government would show some slight consideration for myself .-- I

F. T. PIGGOTT. Chief Justices

His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard, K C.M.G. Governor of Hongkong.

Government House. Hongkong, 26th September, 1908, Sir,-In reply to your letter of yesterday's 8837/1906. dete I have the honour to inform you that I did use the word "farce" in connection with the existing Appeal Court of the Colony. spoke deliberately and I am correctly reported by the South China Morning Post as having used the word "unsatisfactory." I was so anxious to make it plain to the Council that intended no reflection whatever upon the Court but only criticised its constitution-in the way you have yourself criticised it, that I added further explanatory words (which have been omitted by the reporters) to the following effect : " It is no less unsatisfactory to the Chief Justice "himself than to litigants, for if he reverses his " former decision after bearing fuller evidence. -more especially if this should occur more innuendo that be does not know his own mind, or that he is influenced, by his Junior If on the other hand he confirms his former decisions it may be alleged that the Appeal is a farce."

These as near as I can recollect are the precise words used by me in this codifection. think Your Honour will agree with me that it would be difficult to select words which would more completely dispose of the interpretation conveyed in your second paragraph.

The only authentic report, the Colonial Hansard, has already been revised in this

Your Honour's letter that you still remain tends to carry the case to the Privy Council." under the erroneous impression which I have so frequently and with such apparent ill success, endeavoured to remove, that the Government is disposed to show no consideration | prominence to the fact that Your Honour held lic School, Anglo-Chinese Side, language towards yourself. Lhave, &c.,

Governor, &c. His Honous. The Chief Justice.

Sir, I am much obliged for the courteous | expense involved Your Honous was, as you corinformation conveyed in Your Excellency's dially admit, informed of the arguments which letter of the 26th instant informing mu of the had been, adduced in this connection and had actual words used by Your Excellency in your an opportunity of fully disposing of them. speech in Council on the subject of the con-4 Your letters were forwarded to the Secretary of stitution of the Full Court . The China Most State and you were so informed, and I am scents to me probable that the reporters jump- 1 to the conclusion that your opinion is disregard-

The words actually used in your speech are open to the same objection that I have already tirely at watiance with the traditions of the the Chief Justice reversed his former decision he did not know his own mind, because if may be precisely this fuller information His Excellency, the Governor, last Thursday | (which on appeal is fuller argument, and rarely (oller evidence) which has made the case plainer. than it was on the first hearing when this information was not forthcoming. Nor could -and I have come to the conclusion so far as Sir, I have read the remarks which Your | there be any innuended to the effect that Excellency made in Council on Thursday last he has been luftuenced by his Junior. The and regret; and I must enter a very respectful Full Court as at present constituted enables the existing Appeal Court must necessarily be a louistions often makes points clearer than they Receiver on Your Honour's recommendation farce," and that this view is supported by the I were when first dealt with by one Judge. "And Chief Justice. The public expression of such | for the reasons given in my former letter the a view is calculated to do the gravest harm to fact that the Chief Justice with the assistance | Judge in my letter to Your Honour of 81

> p. The defects of the present system are patent ; but with much respect, they are not And the emphasis which has been laid upon them by Your Excellency cannot fail to be very my constant aim to maintain at the highest details are decided.

lustice. I can only say that 31 years experi- what appears to have become an idle fixe in For a years I have pointed out that the Council. Although it has not happened up to I tables which I had prepared and which support my statement have elicited no comment. Even as one Judge doing the work of two at certain periods which has covered the last 3 or 4 I months is just over: and yet Your Excellency has informed the Council in spite of my reiterated opinion that there is no immediate necessity for a third Judge. The effect of this to full mornings work, of at least four hours a lon my mind can only be that the opinion of I the Government is that I only want a third have not the remotest idea what the ultimate | Judge appointed to save myself work. Surely Your Excellency will agree that this is a case this judgment may prevent the case going to lof want of consideration for the Chief Justice.

Let me take another case. There was a suggestion in one of Your Excellency's letters I the scheme effective, and the inconveniences S. The report of Your Excellency's speech I which must result from it; that changes must also says that you have, like Your Excellency's I be made in the law and Code of Procedure; predecessor, found the general opinion to be l'and that it can only work by most seriously that except for the purposes of an Appeal Court, I hampening the other business of the Court,

But the scheme has apparently been apthe working of the Court who is of that opinion. | proved at home, and I shall have to work it. | suggest criticisms of the decisions of the Chief The fact is that the pressure of the last few As in the case of the third Judge, the opinion Instice's judgment which would not otherwise months has been so great that we had arrived of people who knew little or nothing of the occur to litigants or even ill-informed people. almost at breaking point, and this is by no I matter was held of more weight than mine, so means the first time. If I had been laid up for | bere : when, as is inevitable, I point out the lare not before the public, as no one except even 2 days, with influenza, the whole work of | noworkable nature of the scheme as sent from the Court would have been dislocated to the I home, I shall probably be told that others

Your Excellency will, I think, agree with me that I have some cause for the view I have so frequently expressed that little consideration is paid to the Chief Justice's opinion in matters relating to the administration of justice.-have, &c.,

F. T. PIGGOTT, --- Chief Justice. His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard, K.C.M.G.,

Governor of Hongkong.

Government House. Hongkong, 6th October, 1908.

Sir.-I regret to learn from your fetter of September 20th, that my explanation of the actual words used by me in reference to the Court of Appeal and which I had believed would entirely dispose of Your Honour's cause of protest have not had that result. 2. Your Honour contends that "no one who

is familiar with the work of a Judge" could attribute to him any but the highest motives when hearing an Appeal, whatever his decision might be. But the words used by me ("innuendo" and " alleged," &c.) made it, I had hoped, amply clear that I was not referring to well "than once—he may lay himself open to the informed persons but to disappointed litigants and irresponsible critics. I expressed in fact "only the views which I have understood yourself and Mr. Justice Wise to have affirmed The words of the latter in this connection (forwarded to me as an enclosure in Your Honour's letter of the 29th February, 1908, were :- "As at present constituted the Appeal Court consists of the Chief Justice and the Puisne Judge, from one of whom the appeal necessarily lies, and the Chief Justice has a casting vote. The result is that anyone who has the money will appeal against the decision of the Puisne Judge (in consequence of the casting vote) but that no one will appeal against I regret to note from the last sentence of La decision of the Chief Justice valers he in .. 3. In reply to your third paragraph I can only repeat the statement made by me in my observations on the Estimates after giving du the view that a Third Judge was necessary to cope with the work of the Supreme Court,vis.: that after consulting those best qualified to advise me I considered the weight of opin ion was in favour of the view that a Third Judge was not immediately necessary, but Chambers, Supreme Court, hoped that when the new Courts were finishe Hongkong, 29th September, 1908. I the Colony would be in a position to incur the remarks to the end, sairing on the words lithe State is received it will of course be communi-

on receipt) that after a perusal of the correst be laid upon the table. pondence he has adhered to his former view that expressed to Kosnikacellency, and are out the appointment of a Third Judge can be temporarily deferred. In this matter which you Bouch. No our who is samiliar with the work | select as a flagrant instance that the local of a Judge could suggest that af after bearing | Government "shows no consideration to the fuller evidence to a care of in several cases, Chief Justice L can find no possible grounds for such a conclusion

"We are all agreed that the appointment of

Third Judge would be most desirable—but it

is my duty to examine the comparative preency

ol a number of extremely desirable require-

ments in relation to the finances of the Colony

I my personal view is concerned (the final decision resting with the Secretary of State after peron the subject of the third Judge with surprise | Chief Justice is only frimus fater pares. The using Your Honour's arguments and the tables to which you refer) that in the coming year the but emphatic protest against Your Excellency's | Chief Justice to have the assistance of the | Colony cannot afford a Third Judge. Provision. view as reported in the nawspapers, that "the Poisne Judge; discussion on abstrace legal; has, however, been made for a Deputy Official 4. As regards the second case cited, I did make the suggestion regarding the Shangha the prestige of the Supreme Court in the eyes of the Puisne Judge confirms his former deci- February last. I did not go into it in detail sion candot in any circumstances render that matil Dahould hear from the Secretary of State as to whather the idea was possible since Your Honour had stated that you considered it to out of the question for a Foreign Office Judge those which Your Excellency has pointed out. I to come here unless there were reciprocity, which was impossible. At your desire I have: cabled to the Secretary of State to inform him detrimental to the brestige of the Court among lithat you would wish to express an opinion reboth Europeans and Chinese, which it has been | garding the working of the scheme before its

5. I have replied at some length to the con-3. With reference to the last paragraph of the | crete instances brought forward by Your Honour letter under reply Your Excellency is always in support of your view that "consideration is very good in assuring me that my opinion is paid to the opinion of the Chief Justice in not woll-founded when I say that the Govern- I matters affecting the administration of justice. ment shows no consideration to the Chief but I fear that it is beyond my power to remove

Governor, &c.

His Honour The Chief Justice.

Chambers, Supreme Court

Hongkong, 28th October, 1908. Sir.-I much regret to find on perusing Your Excellency's speech on the second reading of the Appropriation Ordinance on Thursday, 8th October, that Your Excellency did not take the opportunity of correcting the impression left on the readers of some of the reports of Your Excellency's speech, that in your view appeals to the Full Court as at present constituted were a farce. I had hoped that for the reasons, and with the materials which I had supplied to Your Excellency in my letters on the subject, some allusion would have been made to the subject.

- - Your Excellency's remarks, as published in the papers, are, as I have already pointed put in my letter of 20th September, calculated to undo the work which I have done in promoting confidence in the Full Court in spite of its admittedly unsatisfactory constitution. Very shortly the Full Court will have to deliver important judgments in a case on appeal from my decision at nisi prim, which has been argued before it at great length. It may be that I shall differ from the Puisne Judge; it may be that I shall maintain my former opinion; but as to both of these questions the matter is still under consideration. But should these things happen the suggestion engendered in the popular mind by the report of Your Excellency's speech and especially in that of the disappointed litigant, will inevitably be that the appeal has been a farce. I should therefore be obliged if Your Excellency would lay the correspondence on the table of Council It is of the first necessity that the appeal to the Full Court should be considered by all, whetherwell or ill-informed people, as a serious matter, and not as a farce.

4. I note what Your Excellency says on the subject in paragraph 2 of your letter of the 6th. October; but I regret that I cannot agree with a third Judge is not immediately required. This quite apart from the inherent objections to lit. I do not think that the remarks actually made by Your Excellency are at all calculated to promote confidence in the Court, for they But the actual words used by Your Excellence members of Councils see the local Hansard.— I have. &c..

F. T. Piccort

Chief Justice, His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard, K.C.M.O., Governor of Hongkong.

Government House. Hongkong, and November, 1908. Sir.—I have the honour to acknowledge your letter of October 28th having reference to the words used by me in a speech regarding the constitution of the Full Court. I am anxious to meet Your Honour's wishes as far as seems to me practicable, but since as you point out the members of the Council already have the corrected version of what I said before them in the Hamard there seems no object in laying it before them in a separate paper. Your Honour is anxious as I understand that it should be made known that I did not use the words attributed to me in the local Press that the appeal to the Full Court is a farce, anti I will if you a sign of respect for the death of the Emberor so desire cause a letter to be written to the Press quoting the words in Hant and. Sessional papers consist of the annual reports from departments, and other permanent records of the Colony and I do not think that the corres- a living, among them being a man named pondence in question is of a nature to be included with them.

. 2. With reference to the question of a Third ashore, inquired his way to the mourest place tudge I have the honour to enclose in original of convenience of a coolis, who was standing for your perusal and favour of return a private otter 1 have just received from Sir H. de Sausmares together with a copy of the despatch* from the Secretary of State dated 18th September, 1908. . I personally agree with the view expressed by Sir H. de Sausmares --

F. D. LUGARD, Governor, &c. His Honour the Chief Instice.

Chambers, Supreme Court. Hougkong, 4th November, 1908 Sir.—I have the honour to acknowledge Your Excellency's letter of 2nd November. on

2. I fear that the publication in the news-Papers of the remarks actually used by Your guilty, was convicted and states cod to six.

Excellency would do more harm than good; weeks hard labour. for whereas the words as reported might have been looked upon as an unfortunate alip; had the impression created by them been corrected at a subsequent sitting of the Council, the publication of the remarks actually made by Your Excellency unaccompanied by my own obser vations, would seem to indicate that they om body, as I fear they do Your Excellency

opinion on the question.

3. With regard to laying the correspondence on the lable of the Constill Your Excellency forgets that one of the brincipal opjects of the practice is to make the papers to laid public have had a long experience of procedure is Logislative Council, and I think that correspondence which has passed between the Chie Justice and the Governor relative to remarks

from the telegram (which I at once sent to you to the administration of price may littled 4. I propose to deal with the matter referred to in the second paragraph of the letter mader reply in a separate letter .- I have die

> His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard, R.C.M.C., T. V. Governor of Hongkoog.

Government House, Hongkong, 16th November, 1008. Sir.-I have the honour to acknowledge re ceipt of your letter of November 4th in which you inform me that my proposal to cause the actual words used by me when addressing the Council on the subject of the Appeal Court to be published in the local Press will not meet YOUR VIEWS, IN A PROPERTY OF THE SAME

In deference to your opinion as Chief Justice that the remarks made by me may be prejudicial to the administration of Justice Phive directs ed that this correspondence shall be laid on the table of the Legislative Council as you desire. But I do not pronose to include the enclusive to the Secretary of State's despatch or the best vate letter to me from Sir By de Sausmares which raise a separate issue, -- I have, occ.

Governor, &c.

The Chief Justice

IMPBRIAL DECREES.

(By Telegraph from Peking) Specially translated for the North-China Daily News,

F. D. LUGARD.

November 20, (t) For over forty years the late Empress Grand Downger dropped the curtain and administered the Government, (Her Majery's act of regency, is always described by the exec pression Ch'ui Lien Ting Cheng literally, "To drop the curtain and administer the Government," as the Ministers" eyes might not gare on her Majesty's face.) Her Majesty applied Hencit with zeal to the tollsome performance of Her duty. In order to express Our grief that fills Our mind, the funeral obsequies of her late Majesty should be elaborately arranged, so the Ministry of Rites is hereby ordered to re-arrange the obsequies and make

report to Us thereon. (2) A site for the construction of the later Empress Grand Dowagers Mausoleum has been selected at the "Rastern" Hill (known as/ Tung Ling).

(3) Whereas on the 22nd of this moon (November 14) a Decree in the name of the late Empress Grand Dowager, was issued commanding the Regent to take up the reins of government on Our behalf, the official and the people throughout the Empire are hereby. ordered to comply with his orders. (From honceforth any one neglecting or refusing to obey the commands of the Regent must be punished.

(4) The death of the Empress Grand Down

ger Tra Hal, following so closely that of the Emperor Kuang Hall has filled the metion with sorrow, but the country has passed through the dynastic changes peacefully and the withing Treaty Powers have also expressed their sympathy with the losses which the mation has sustained, thus strengthening their brelations with China. There are, however, evil characters seeking to spread insidious rums de in order to create trouble and disturb the peace. It is leared that, unless drastic mansures are immediately taken, the transpillity. ly. We hereby order the Ministry of the Interior. the General Commandant was the Peking Gendarmerie, the Governor of Peking the Viceroys; Governors and their subordinates to take special precautions, against such rebels. Rewards are promised, to all officials arresting, rebals or suppressing fisings, All. rebels arrested are to be decapitated at once.

(1) We have received a memorial from Our Ministers stating that to mourn for his late Majesty, Emperor Kuang Hau, for twenty seven months will give rise to innumerable difficulties in the administration of the Government and praying that the robes of mourning be laid aside at the end of one hundred days. To comply with the repuest of the Ministers Outs feelings will not consent and We shall observe with reverence, in strict adherence to the rule of sucient time, twenty-seven mouther mountion and shall carry out all the acts of sacrifica and worship prescribed by canon for the Temples of the State.

November 21

(2) Fong Lin is appointed Prefect of Yise boulu, Ashui Province.

HARD TIMES FOR BARBERS

SAD EXPERIENCE OF ONE IN HONGKOWAL Since the Imperial Edict was issued ordering the people of the Two Kwang provinces to go into mourning for three months, defing which period they were to allow their hair to grow, an and Dowager-Empress of China, most of the barbers in the city of Capton have had to put up-their-shutters. Of course, a large number. of the "profession" came to Hongkong to earn Chu Hau. Chu Came to Hougkong by a boat arriving on Sunday, and Samping at the entrance to the what Mat sight the cools knew he was dealing with

Let me hold your bundle and timbeells for you while you are away," said the coolie, very kindly, when they had reached the door. The innocent barber handed over his property and went in. He was not away a minute. When he came out he discovered to his surprise that the kind friend thad disappeared. To a lakong he told his tale of wor and later to Inspector Robertson, of No. 17. Police Station the subject of Your Excellency's remarks in who very cleverly ran, the cooling to earth last nii Tuesday, recovering most of the property? in various pawnshops. The coolie was charged in the Police Court, on Wednesday, and pleading

stranger, and belose the little brick building of

the middle of the road was reached he had

LAST Monday, in the Police Cotte, a coolie named Chan Yeung, of 378; Des Voers Road, was charged with being found in the paryuan quarters of 2, Togo Terraca, Remarky Rima, without the permission of the possesses (M.; Q. S. McKinley) and with attending the presence in the house, was discovered by Mr. McKinley, who ordered him to leave the later mises forthwith. The man was a long time in obeying the order and Mr., McKinley, who order and Mr., McKinley, was a long time. Obeying the order and a second state of the se

HOW TO BACOME SUCCESSEUL AND INDEPRNOUS!

"Probably there are few people in Hongkons who do not appreciate an outsider's praise of their outural abilities, particularly when that outsider writes from a place ten thousand miles mway. It is always suspicious when a friend, who may be at your elbow daily, offers incense at the alter of your saif-conceil, because there is generally an ulterior mouve behind the votary's remarks. "Not-to, when the censerswinger hails from the great United States and when the sale purpose of his laudation is to help you to climb still higher on the ladder of success. It was, therefore, with the highest gratification and unconcealed pleasure that we received a letter from Washington, D.C. setting forth in good, round Anglo-Saxon some of the reasons why the merits of the staff of the Hongkong Telegraph' should no longer be hidden under the proverbial bushel, as if tha were possible. As the reader has already surmised, the idea presented by the enterprising Americans was what is known as a miney maker, and it was our well-known ability as spell-binders that induced our complimentary friends in Washington to seek our services in what is represented to be the cause of humanity, etc. Owing to the enermous post office transactions of the firm alluded to, they were unable to afford sufficient stamps to permit of the envelope being securely closed, and it arrived looking like an overdue bill. In fact it was only under the severest compulsion that any member of the editorial staff ventured to withdraw the contents of the open cover, but a glance at the letter accompinying sheets of printed recommendations, hints and c mp iments was sufficient to allay suspiciou. al he letter began "Dear Friend," which led at first to the conclusion that either Mrs. Eddy or the Salvation Army had routed us out, but no such luck. Still the first sentence shows how fame travels: It began as follows: "Your name came into our possession from such a reliable source, that we do not besitate for a moment in making you the proposition to become an independent representative for our goods in your vicinity. From what we have learned about you, we are confident that you are just the person we are looking for, and we therefore urge you to consider this real opportunity with extreme care." Now, what we should like to know is-who has been ringing our praises so justily that the good people of Washington, D.C., have arrived at a true and just estimate of our superlative worth? Who constituted that " reliable source?" Could it have been Bresident Elect Taft' or William Jennings Bryan? with both of whom we had friendly converse when they landed on the shores of this sea-girt island. It ven if it were one or the other of these distinguished politicians-and we feel inclined to back Tuft, who was possibly infldenced in our favour by the susceptible Princess Alice-how does this Washington firm, know that we are just the person or persons they are looking for? No doubt they are perfectly correct they should know best the sort of character they want and it is not for us to argue the print. The next paragraph opens like a quota discounted by the series of facts which follow:-" From our information at hand we have reason established business. If so, you will be very much interested in reading the enclosed cirtive." As they say in the States-" Money talks,

tion from a policeman's evidence, but that is to believe that you are, like other ambitious people, anxious to increase your present-incomeby becoming associated with a well-paying culars. They describe very fully the position we now offer you, and show you just about how much money you can reasonably expect to make, if you decide to become our representaand our well-wishers are on bisiness bent. They know ; effectly well that we are ambitious everybody in Hongkong is ambitious, but we refrain from hinting at the various directions which these ambitions take. Nor is there any question that we desire to be associated with a approach the Downger Empress to respective jurisdictions should wear well-paying business—that is if the paying part finds its way fato our pockets. The next point is as to the amount we may reasonab'y expect -to-make-and-it_will-be_noticed_that_up_to this we have no conception of the churacter of the business, but that is immaterial. Personally, a few thousand dollars a month would not be out of the way, and we feel sure there are others whose desires would be satisfied with less. This business can be done in one's spare time, so that the inducement to have a "deouchan-doris "-or words to that effect-would be eliminated, to the great joy of the women-folk. Our correspondent suddenly breaks off his familiar tone to impart a little information which will come as an interesting interlude to has proven that a great many diseases so common to mankind have their origin in a disordered condition of the digestive organs. When ever the blood is affected by assimilating the the proposal. poisonous matters of improper foods the functions of some of the complicated organs of our bodies are interfered with and we become sufferers, ranging from a slight indisposition to some critical illness. Thus by simply neglecting to keep the digestive organs in proper order anyone is liable to ruin his health, which means the wealth of most of us and the ha ly all of these complaints, if taken in time, yield very readily to home treatment. As a bright, brief and masterly exposition of that feeling which comes over most of us when somebody springs: the word "Work" on a convivial gathering, that synopsis will take some beating. Of course, readers are getting as impatient as we were to know what reference this had to our marvellous ability but perhaps they may see light in the next paragraph which suns: "Naturo's Health Restorer is a simple household remedy, prepared to meet this great need. It is composed of roots, beths and backs, and is put up in the form of chocolate, sugar-coated felt with China in her sorrow. tablets, absolutely free from all opiates, narcotics and harmful drugs. It is both a most satisfactory household remedy, and a most pleasant one to take. Thousands of persons

have used it with beneficial results and many of

So it is a medicine that we are to put on the

ask him if he is down-hearted and as he opens

the usual tariff exacted by the cured-on-the-

spot frateroity. This is a game which children

and youngriadies: might play with huge suc-

cess. An elderly uncle, grumpy and bilious,

would be an excellent subject to practise in

and if he should become sictous and purply

No. 15, and send in a call for the Fire Brigade.

Among the circulars which formed part of the

package from Washington, D. C., was one

headed, "Confidential Information"—and as i

is marked ! copyrigh . 1906," we shall not ren-

der ourselves liable to the law by publish-

ing it, beyond stating that its real function

is to tell the ambitious; "How to become

Successful and Independent. The question is

how can this end be attained? All you have

to do in to seed for a regularaiza box of tablets!

sphick you will well to your icostomers for a

relation gold, and you get that outfit for nothing. Eich box contains sot "kighly-polished tho-

with a friend or an enemy, preferably the latter,

inchis mouth to answer throw a chocolate, sugar-

ty coated tablet down his guilet, and charge him

smaller bikes, each of which can be retailed at 20 30 each. But the first lot is to be given sway free as an advertisement. A guarantee accompanies the tablets, and the customer, prosamphly, will gaze steadily at the parchment while the pills are playing catch-as-catch-can in his bowels. What the representative has to pay for the second outh, when the patients have recovered from the first, we cannot say accident we have just found out after another perusal that the agent gets a box of pills for 55 cents gold, so that he makes 45 cents gold on each box sold, but if he orders 505 boxes at a time he gets them at 40 cents gold a box. is like this: '500 boxes are sold at 40 cents; the total price to agen a is \$200; the price to cusomers, per box, \$1.2 total price to customers '\$500; agenta' profit \$300, all in U.S. gold currency. Why not make a fortune while time flies? We do not care for the agency ourselves, but in response to the appeal of the proprietors of Nature's Health Restorer we pass it on to any reader who fancies himself as a quack. But we demand a commission; we don't do good by stealth in Hongkong.

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

AN ACT OF COURTESY. DEFERENCE TO EMPRESS

DOWAGER.

[By courtery of the "Sheung Po."] Peking, 27th November.

The Prince Regent and Grand Councillors have twice entreated the Downger-Empress to administer the affairs of State.

Her Majesty has declined to ac- out success. cede to the request. .

> PRINCE CHING. RESIGNS ALL OFFICES.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 27th November. Alleging old age, Prince Ching has resigned all his various offices. The Prince Regent, however, earnestly urges him not to go into re-

Prince Ching has so far been prevailed that he has consented to retain his posts with the 'exception' of that of Inspector-General of the Military Forces.

PEKING. .

EMPRESS DOWAGER'S ESTATE. [By courtesy of the " Sheung Po."] "

Peking, 29th November. Prince Ching and Grand Councillor Yuan Shih-kai are not in favour of Prince Chun acting as the, Regent. -- They have contrived administer the affairs of State so as to deprive Prince Chun of power.

The-estate-of-the-late-Empress Dowager is worth twenty million dollars The Prince Regent is desirous of devoting the entire amount towards the formation of a Navy.

The late Empress Downger kept in the Ewo Park a shed for pleasure boats whose upkeep necessitated large sum of money annually. The most readers. As he, she or it says: "Science Prince Regent desires to do away with this expensive establishment. The Downger Empress acquiesces in

Yesterday an Imperial decree was issued appointing noon, on the 2nd December, for the enthronement of the young Emperor Pu-yi and the issue of the decree granting amnesty. piness of all. Everybody knows that practical. | On the previous day the Emperor will attend memorial services for the late Emperor and Empress Dowager in the Confucian Temple.

Mr. Rockhill, U.S. Minister in Peking, has advised that the American Government proposes to further reduce the Boxer indemnity payable by China to the United States in further testimony of the sympathy

It is proposed by the Russian Government to reduce the guards stationed at Peking and Tientsin. The Waiyupu contemplates the desthempraise and recommend it, because they are: spatch of a special Commissioner to vugrateful for what it has done for them." return thanks to Russia. -itimarket. All that has to be done is to waylay

Shanghai, 29th November. On hearing of the Emperor's death, H.E. Shum Chun-hsen, ex-Viceroy of Canton, wished to hurry to Peking in order to participate in the mourning ceremonies. He was, however, so overcome with faced all that would be necessary is to ring up grief that he began to spit blood, and was compelled to abandon his idea of proceeding North.

YOUNG EMPEROR'S ENTHRONE-

[By coursely of the " Shoung Po."]

Peking, 30th November:

that the 2nd inst. has been fixed as | Sing-kee. young Emperor.

the Imperial Edict on the occasion further proceedings. and it would take too long to find out. By of the accession of the new Em-

> The remains of the late Empress Downger will be removed to the Kun-tak Palace on the 9th inst. The funeral expenses are estimated

> to cost six million dollars. It has been decided that the Prince Regent and his spouse should remove to and reside at Pak-hoi within the Palace.

Most of the eunuchs attached to sular Court of Inquiry in the ss. the retinue of the late Empress Downger are in hiding.

THE DALAI LAMA.

AND THE STATUS OF TIBET.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 80th November. The Dalai Lama is not agreeable to the change in the status of Tibet administration of a Viceroy and Governor.

The President of the Ministry of the Interior has used every effort to convince the Buddhist Pontiss of the expediency of the change, but with-

THE POSITION IN TIBET. feeg (High Commissioner of Frontier Defences in rechuse, Tibet and Yunnau) bave jointly reported to the Peking Government upon the situation in Tibe. They state that nearly all the insurgents in Batang and other places have been dispersed, and that quictness now reigns the Chinese troops stationed in Tibet is very

> THE EMPEROR'S EN-THRONEMENT.

CEREMONIAL OBSERVANCES.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 1st December. To-day being the day fixed for the accession of the young Emperor to the Throne, the Board of Rites has telegraphed to the Viceroys, governors and generals of the Provinces that they should on that day, together with the civil and military officials under them, perform congratulatory ceremonies, and that the officials and people within their appropriate costume on that day.

On accession day if any foreign -officials-or-merchants-should-presentthemselves for the purpose of offering congratulations, the Chinese officials should receive them in their robes of office and hoist flags and fire salutes (as the case may be) in accordance with prescribed custom. as soon as the ceremonies are over, officials are enjoined to observe all the mourning ceremonies.

The Diplomatic Corps in Peking has requested the Waiwupu to present a memorial on their behal stating that it is the wish of the Foreign representatives to be present to offer congratulations on the occasion of the accession of the Young Emperor to the Throne.

> · CHINA'S NAVY... GERMANY'S PROFERRED ASSISTANCE.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 1st December. In an interview with the Ministers of the Foreign Office, the German Minister mentioned that his Government was prepared to assist China in the reorganisation of her Navy-

-JAPAN-AND-GHINA COMPENSATION FOR SOLDIERS. By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Kirin 1st December. Mr. Ijuin, the Japanese Minister in Peking, has notified his Govern ment's intention to pay compensation in the case wherein six Chinese soldiers were shot by Japanese in Kirin.

> THE ANHUI MUTINY. TAOTAI IN TROUBLE. [By courtery of the "Showing Po."]

Shanghai, 1st December.

coluie sugar-content tableis" put, up, in three | credited to foreign countries advising | confessed that their leader was Hung

the date for the anthronement of the | ung having been recommended for appointment by Taotai Ku Chung-H.E. Chang Chih-tung has been | sum, the Provincial Judge has entrusted with the duty of drafting | placed the latter in oustody pending

> THE "FATSHAN" INCIDENT. BRITISH CONSULAR INQUIRY CONCLUDED.

> > ACCUSED WATCHMAN DISCHARGED. [From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shameen, 3rd December, 10.30 a.m. The finding of the British Con-

the morning boat. The accused watchman has been discharged.

Fatshan case has been posted up in

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS.

[From Our Own Correspondent.] Shameen, and December.

A Court of Inquiry was held at the British Consulate on Tuesday, the 1st instant, and continued to-day to investigates into the to that of a province under the circumstances attending the death of a Chinese passenger on board the s.s. Fatskan who it is alleged was killed by being assaulted by a ticket collector (a foreigner) while collecting the passage tickets. This incident has excited considerable foment amongst the Chinese here against the foreigner owing to the wild and exaggerated reports of the occurrence appearing in the Chinese newspapers. The Court was presided over by Mr. Fax, H.B.M.'s Consul-General, and there were present also the Portuguese Consul-General Mr. Moraes, Chinese Magistrate and a representative Their Excellencies Lies Yu (Imperial of the Viceroy. In delivering the finding Chinese Resident in Lhassa) and Chao Erh- of the Court, Mr. Fox said that in the first place he must state that the Court was an informal one as the accused is not a British subject, and further that there is no charge before him against the man who is, alleged to have committed the assault, but on account of a communication he had received from the in Tibet. They point out that the strength of Viceroy informing him that a Chinese passenver was said to have been killed on board slender and request the Government to is us | British ship, he had ordered this inquiry to be instructions calling upon the Viceroy of Sze- held, and in order that it should be conducted chuan to send reinforcements .- N. G. D. Neur. | in friences and justice to all concerned he hadallowed the Chinese press reporters and the public to be present. Having gone through al the evidence before him, specially the most vital one-that of the European doctor who had examined the corpse and who testified to not having found the slightest marks on the hody which might have caused the death and in view of the clear evidence given by the officers of the steamer of what actually happened, he must come to the conclusion that the deceased came by his death in a natural manner, and there not being sufficient evidence against the accused he is not justified to handing him over to the Postuguese Consul; and vatory: the accused was discharged. In conclusion, Mr. Fox said that if the Viceroy is not satisfied with the result of the Inquiry and that it further evidence may be forthcoming, the Viceroy may communicate with his colleague the Portuguese Consul-General who will deal with the matter. The captain and the agent of the Steamship Company have given their assurance to produce the ticket collector if so required. A word of warning was given by Mr. Fox, to the Chinese press reporters, and he requested them to refrain from publishing lalse reports, but to adhere strictly to all the evidence

they had heard in the Court. THE EMPEROR'S EN-THRONEMENT:

CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT [By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 2nd December. Pu-yi was enthroned on the 2nd

The young Emperor was carried in the arms of his father, the Prince Regent. Later.

The Edict announcing the accession of the young Emperor laid great stress on the institution of the future Parliament for China.

H.E. CHANG IN MAO. A PERSONA GRATA.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po:"]

Peking, 2nd December. The Prince Regent is of opinion that H.E. Chang In Mao is a capable official and has every intention of reinstating him-into office.

[H.E. Chang In Mao is of Kaiping Mines fame and will be tremembered as the Chinese official who represented the Chinese Government in the hearing of the case against the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ltd., in London, about three years ago, -Ed., H.K.T.] most cowardly assault which took place in that

LEGATION GUARDS. PROPUSED INCREASE ABANDONED.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."] Peking, 2nd December. All the Foreign Ministers, are

agreed upon the abandogment of the contemplated increase in the Legation Guards. OFFICIALS.

NO CHANGE TO BE MADE.

[By courtesy of the "Shoung Po."]

Peking, 2nd December. The Prince Regent does not propose any change of important officials Telegrams were despatched by the The soldiers who mutinied in appointed by the late Emperor an Waiwupu to Chinese Ministers ac. Anhui-have been examined and bave a Dewager Empress.

A. CONFERENCE. HIGH OFFICIALS IN SECRET CONCLAVE.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."]

Peking, 2nd December. Oa the 30th uit the Prince Regent held a long conference with Prince Ching, Tsai Cheuk and Chang Chih-tung on, important matters

Grand Councillor Yuan Shih-kai was not present at the conference.

A PRINCELY ACT.

THE REGENT'S MAGNANIMITY

[By courtesy of the "Shoung Po."]

Peking, 3rd December. It is proposed by the Grand Councillors to make the Prince Regent a monthly allowance of Tis. 20,000. Prince Chun, however, had it reduced to Tls. 10,000.

EHO PARK.

WORKS TO BE ABANDONED. [By courtery of the " Shoung Po."]

Peking, 3rd December. An Imperial Decree has been issued directing all the works now in progress in the Eho Park to be abandoned.

> CANTON-HANKO W RAILWAY.

TO BE OFFICIALLY MANAGED. [By courtesy of the "Shaung Po."]

Peking, 3rd December. H.E. Chang Chih-tung, Superintendent-General of the Canton-Hankow Railway, has decided that the profits of the Canton-Hankow Railway will be apportioned to the shareholders; but that the management must be vested in the hands of

His scheme in connection with the railway will soon be made public.

TYPEUON WARNINGS.

The American Consulate-General received the following telegrams from the Manila Obser-

December 3rd, 3.40 p.m. Cyclone or typhoon S. of the Western Caro-

lines, direction unknown. December 4th, 9 a.m. Cyclone or typhoon E. of the Pelew Islands moving W.N.W.

EMPEROR PRANCIS JOSEPH'S DIAMOND JUBILEE.

RECEPTION AT AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN

The sixtieth anniversary of the reign of Emperor Joseph I was fittingly celebrated last Wed nesd y afternoon by the Austrian community in Hongkong, when Consul and Mrs. Von Wiser held an "At Home" at "The Firs," Magazine Gap Road. The grounds were prettily decorated with flags and a large, faithful portra of the Emperor was prominently displayed in the Hall, tastefully decorated with evergreens. The Band of the Buffs enlivened the proceedings with pleasing selections of music, which was greatly appreciated.

Among those who attended the reception to offer their congratulations for the auspicious event were H.E. the Governor, accompanied by Mulleneux, R.N., Capt. E. C. Blanchflower, R.N., ultimo. Secretary to Commodore, Sir Francis Piggotta Chief Justice, Hon. Mr. F. H. May Colonial frector of Public Works, and Mrs Chatham, Capt. G. C. Heathcote, Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, Bishop. D. D. Pozzoni, the Consular Body and several others.

The National Anthem brought a very enjoyable afternoon to a close. Later on, the Ausrian Consul wired home H. E. the Governor's

MURDBROUS ASSAULT SHOPKEEPER ATTACKED AT WEST POINT.

It was not until 'yesterday that the West Point police were successful in arresting six men, who, it is believed, were concerned in a district on Thursday night last. The victima shopkeeper named San Cheung-still lies in a dangerous condition in the Government Civil

at 210, Des Voeux Road West, and the six men in police custody were, so it is stated, formerly in his employ. Some time at the beginning of this month they were discharged, and their places filled by women, who were considered better and faster workers. There can be no question, if the report, is true, that the action of the shopkesper angered the six men, and, it is alleged, they swore to get level with him one day. On Thursday night, after watching for several weeks, they met San Cheung in a dark part of Centre Street return-Ing home. One of the men was armed with a chopper and the rest with bamboo poles. They attacked the unsuspecting shopkeeper mercilessly, and left him unconscious on the road. way. Some time later be was found by the SENTENCE of six mu-tip hard labour was police, and during a cursory examination it was presed on a coolie named Channe Chan seen that besides a number of other wounds Mr. J. H. Kemp, in the Police Court, last Wede about his body, the shopkeeper had received, nasday, for their . Chaung, it man an ina cottle the middle of the head, through moved from the pocket of one lames I co on which, it was said, his brains could be seen. Tuesday a bank book, two letters, and \$120 in No time was lost in sending him to hespital, cash. The that took place in Quent's Road. His alleged assailants were arraigned in the The complainant resides at to Winds Police Court to day, and remanded.

Death of Emperor and TEmpress.

THE COLONYS SYMPATHY. RESOLUTION PASSED BY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council which was held, last, Thursday, advantage was taken by H.E. the Governor to officially express Hongkong's sympathy with the Chinesa people in their sad bereavement by the death of the Emperor and Downger Empress. In introducing the Resolution, His Excellency, in the course of a short, speech of condulence, said that it was only fitting that this community should express its condolence and sympathy with the Chinese people and he was sure all members wished prosperity to China in the future. He had wired to the British Consul-General at 'Canton a message' of condulence and that official conveyed the same to the Viceroy, who wired back his gratitude. His Excellency had not yet sent a copy of the Resolution to Peking but would do'so shortly. His Excellency then moved the Resolution, which is as follows:

That the Legislative Council of Hongkong at this, its first meeting since the news of the deaths of the Emperor and Downger Empress of China was received, desire to recordifits sympathy with the Government of Chica on the loss it has sustained by the death of its Rulers and to express its hope that the reign of the new Emperor may be successful and pro-

Dr. Ho. Kai, C.M.G., on behalf of the Chinese community, thanked His, Excellency for the kied words he had spoken and said that he most pleasingly and feelingly seconded the Resolution. The sad calamity which had overtaken China was of such, a, nature as, not to fail to call forth sympathy. The way in which the people showed their fortitude and calm resignation was indeed admirable. On Wednesday, the enthronement of the new Emperor took place, and he was, sure that all the members would wish him a long and prosperous reign. The speaker, explessed a wish that, the Prince. Regent would have every success in his responsible post and concluded with a hope for thea. welfare and peace of the Empire. (Applause.)

The Resolution was carried unanimously.

MULTI-MILLIONAIRE'S SONS 😘 APHAIRS.

APPLICATION FOR DISCHARGE OF BANK-RUPTCY ORDER REPUSED.

Choi Chung Li, son of the late Choi Chan, multi-millionaire, made application bafore the Chief Justice (Sir Francis Liggott) to be discharged as a bankrupt. .. At the time he was adjudged bankrupt his assets amounted to \$37.182.95, the liabilities running into some-

Mr. F. P. Hett (of Messrs, Brutton and Hett) made the application. Debtor, cross-examined by the Official Re-

coiver, said that he lived with friends in Wellington Street. For the last three years, since the bankruptcy, he lived in Canton and Hongkong. How have you found the means for living?-I had no money, but the executors of my father allowed several tens of dollars to my wife.

. Have you received any money from your mother?-No. Aren't you entitled to some property under-

your father's will?-No. You had some property?-Yes. You say you are not entitled to anything fur-

thet?-No. How much money have you spent during the last three years?-I spent very little after the pankrupicy. How much?-A few dollars a month.

Since then who have, been, keeping, your (amily?—The executors of my late father allowed \$30 a month for my wife. Have you carned any money since?-No.

What were you doing then?-Nothing, staying at home. Are you not capable of doing some work? -Yes. After I am discharged I will look for

Mr. Hett asked for the debtor's discharge. The Chief Justice said he could not do to according to law.

Mr. Hett-Then, will your Lordship suspend the Order for twelve months?-I can do that. The Order was suspended, debtor to report himself to the Court at the end of that time.

MAKINE COURT.

DISREGARDING HARBOUR REGULATION:

In the Marine Court, yesterday morning, before Capt. Simson, A.D.C., and Mr. A. J. Bracken. the Hon. Commander Basil R. H. Taylor, R.N. bury. Private ecretary, H.E. Major-General Harbour Master, Lieut. C. W. Beckwith, R.M., broadwood, C.B. Officer Commanding the Assistant Harbour Master, charged To Kai Forces in South Chies, Vice-Admiral Sir master of the steam launch Logan, with failing Hedworth Lambton, Flag-Lieutenaut H. B. to observe the rule of the road on the 27th

Lieut. Beckwith stated that at about 1.45 p.m. on the day in question, he left the Harectetary, and Mrs. May, Commodore, Mrs. bour Office steps in one of the Harbour Deand Miss Lyon, Hon. Mr. W. hatham, C.M.O., partment's launches. Half way across the Southern Fairway, witness saw the steam launch Logan crossing on his starboard bow. Lieut. Col. Bayard, D s.o., Commanding the Witness ported to go under her stern, when Buffe, Major Probyn, R.A.M.C. the Rt. Rev. the Logan starboarded," Witness had to remove his helm and only just cleared her by a

> The defendant's excuse was that on seeing the Assistant Harbour Master on boards the launch, he tried to show his respect for him by keeping out of the way. Defendant was fined S.o. for his politopess.

DISOBEYING LAWFUL COMMANDS. In the same Court, Mr. W. G. Christie, 2nd Engineer of the s.s. Monteagle, proceeded against Chan Fat; a fireman, for disobeying the

lawful Commands of the complainant on the 27th October while at sea. Complainant stated that on the 27th October. on the passage to Vancouver, defendant was on day duty. Witness was not satisfied with defendant's work in the engine room, so be turned him over to the N . I fireman to Work on the fires. The latter refused to do work at the fire and used strong language, both in San Cheung is the master of a ratten shop | Chinese and pidgin English. (Cross-examined a little Chinese). He was at the time on an ipper platform and when witness went up to him, defendant rushed into the store room and produced an exe, with which he threatened.

the complainant, saying, "You ____ fill you. come near me, "I'll put this through you." This was spoken in plain English The store keeper fortunately held back the defendant or witness would probably have been serjously

Defendant stated that he did pot rafuse work. He was ordered to forfait two days, pay and was further sentenced to a month's hard labour.

Chinese Editor's Predicament.

EDITOR OF THE "SHEUNG PO" ORDERED TO BE BANISHED.

COUNSEL FILES MOTION FOR RULE NISI.

Arising out of the boycott by Chinese of Japanese and their manufactures and in relation to the recent frots on the 1st-2nd November last, banishment orders have been issued by Government against several Chinese members of the community, included among whom were a piece-goods merchant, an insurance broker in the employ of a prominent British firm, and the talented editor, Mr Ng Hin Tsz, of our progressive Chinese contemporary, the Sheung Po, printed and published in this Colony." In the cases of a low the banishment order has been complied. with. In the case of Mr. Ng Hin Tsz, against whom the banishment order was made on the 23rd November, 1908, to be obeyed within seven days from that date, the order having been disregarded, the Chinese editor has been arrested and is now detained in Police custody. Immediately upon that gentleman's apprehension notice of motion. for a rule nisi was filed in the Supreme Court on the 1st inst. For the benefit of those whogmay be uninitiated in legal phraseology 'may be explained that the effect of the motion is to enable Counsel to argue the case before the Court whether a writ of Rabeas corpus will be issued. His Honour Sir Francis Piggott (Chief Justice) has fixed Friday, the 4th inst., at 2 p.m., for the hearing of the motion. Sir Benry Berkeley, K C., has been retained as Counsel for Ng Hin Tsr; he will be instructed by Mr. Otto Kong Sing, solicitor.

THE RESULT OF THE BANISH. MENT ORDERS.

MEETING OF THE CHINA ASSOCIATION COMMITTEEU

3rd inst. As a result of the banishment orders issued last week by Government against certain Chinese amongst whom were included members of the native commercial community, considerable nervousness and even anxiety have been engendered in the minds of the more timorous among the Chinese traders in Hongkong. Ugly rumours of commercial dislocation have been heard in interested quarters, and the cessation of business on the part of the piece-goods dealers has been vaguely suggested. It should be well to point out that none of these proposals are contemplated as an emphatic protest against the measures instituted by Government for the preservation of the peace of the Colony; but becoming apprehensive of their position in relation to the Japanese boycott—as distinct from the riotous agitation early in November-a large number of the Chinese entertain misgivings lest their boycott sympathies might bring them under_the_ban_leading_ultimately_to_their being banished out of the Colony. In their present uneasy state of mind, members of the merchant class are said to have refrained from entering into contracts for the purchase of goods, and where they thought success might attend their efforts it has been even suggested that overtures have been made for the cancelment of contracts. From the purchasers' standpoint the moment is even opportune for the repudiation of contincts in view of the heavy full in exchange. Reports have also been current that in certain cases tentative approaches have been made to certain local Banks for the with-

drawal of deposits. In the existing situation, the thanks of the commercial community in particular, and of the Colony in general, is due to the local committee of the China Association for their promotitude in realising the possibilities that may be engendered by mapathy and in meeting as early as they have done yesterday for the purpose of deliberating upon the best course they might, with propriety, take in allaying the doubts which at present exist. That the China Association have arrived upon a decision goes without saying when it is remembered that the Hongkong branch of this influential institution is directed by practical. ·level-headed men of long business experience. The Committee's decision has been embodied in adequate representations to Government which, it is hoped; will be productive of the

desired effect. RELEASE OF CHINESE EDITOR.

Mr. Ng Hin Tsz, the editor of the Chinese newspaper Shawng Po, who was arrested yes--terday, and on whose behalf a motion for a rule nist was filed in the Supreme Court yes? torday, was released this afternoon,. We understand that hubean corpus proceedings have. accordingly, been abandoned.

GOVERNMENT'S LATEST MOVE

OMINESH SUSPICIONS TO BE ALLAYED.

As a result of represent tions to Government and upon further deliberations, we believe the suspicions, rightly or wroughy entertained by a section of the Chinese as to the contemplat ed banishments of inciters of disturbance of the public peace, are to be allayed: Many of the law-abiding Chinese have got it into their heads that they, too, might be banished from Hongkong because of their tacit approval of the Tapanese boycott movement, But as no such drastic step was ever contemplated by the authorities it will be seen that their fears are without foundation. The native inhabitants will be given to understand that no necessity for a further issuance of banishment orders under the hand of the Governor need arise if they keep within the law. On the other hand, if there be any fresh outbreak of rioting all the machinery of the law will be invoked to maintain the peace of the Colony.

REPLY TO CHIMA ASSOCIATION. -As we go to press, we hear that the Governant have replied to the representations made by the China Association to the effect that it is not their intention to issue further orders for banishment as long as interference with legitimate trade is desisted from by those who control the boycott movement. This should have a reassuring effect.

THE other week the board of directors of the Japan-China Steamship Company, which has a service of steamers on the Yangtee, held a meeting to consider the accounts for the last halfyear, when it was proposed not to distribute any dividend for the period. However. Mr. Nakabashi (President of the Osaka Supsen Kaisha), who represented the Osska shareholders, urced that a dividend should be paid, and his view prevailed. The accounts which are to be laid before the general meeting called for the alth ultimo show that the net profit of the company for the period amounted to Yiii.000, including a surplus of Yer,000 brought over. Of this sum Y11,250 will be distributed as a dividend at the rate of the per the facred Treasure. The famous explorer cont per annum, Y5,000 will be placed to the left Tokin the samu evening for Kioto where poserve and the balance carried forward.

Attempted Opium Monopoly.

OANION PROVINCIAL REGULA-TIONS REVIVED.

COASTAL TRADE PARALYSED.

As illustrating the case wherewith the pledges given by the provincial authorities of China can be got over, we have the most recent, instance before us in the revival of the opium regulations promulgated by the Board of Reorganisation, the Provincial Judge, the Provincial Treasurer and the Superintendent of Police on the 4th September. 1958, "The regulations provided, inter alta, certain exceptional powers to the local authorities who under the new law might make:-

(1) Clear investigation into the number of shops selling raw and prepared opium in every city, town, village and hamlet. (2) I hat the local authorities shall have those

shops registered. (3) That the authorities shall then grant them licence for carrying on their business, i.e.,

of selling raw and prepared opium. (4) That after avcertainment and registration of the number of opium shops in the Province of the Two Kwangs, no new oplum shops doing business in the buying-and selling of raw and prepared opium may be esta, lished.

(5) All opium shops are to be licenced and the licence is to be renewable every year and any shop either buying or selling raw opium without having a licence is liable to be seized and shut up.

(6) Individuals who wish to purchase raw opium must procure licences and produce them to the shop to enable them to purchase the raw onlym from that shop. It is incumbent on that shop to see that the purchaser has a licence enabling him to purchase the specified amount and no other quantity than that specified in that licence. The purchaser has to hand over to the opium shop one copy of the licence on purchasing and retain the other himself. Purchasers without a licence are subject to arrest and nunishment.

The British merchants engaged in the opium ade in Hongkong at once preceived in the objectionable regulations a gross abuse of their Treaty rights and effectively protested against the going into operation of the regulations to H.B.M. Consul-General at Canton and, by tele-

gram, to Sir John Jordan in Peking. On the 3rd October last His Excellency the Governor received a telegram from His Majesty's Minister at Peking who stated that he has made verbal representations to the Waiwu.pu and given them a memorandum regarding the Opium Monopoly at Canton, "The Wai-wu-pu promised to telegraph instructions

to the Vicerny on the subject. The matter apparently lay dormant with the promise to Sir John of the ministers of the Chinese Foreign Office. But the quiescence of the Canton Provincial Authorities was not to remain long. With the usual subtlety of Chinese officialdom they: saw what was seemingly a -way-out of the promise given to the British. Minister to Peking. In reality the enforcemen of the regulations in Canton itself was held in abeyance; but to circumvent the Waiwund's undertaking which had been advised to the Governor of Hongkong, the provincial authorities at Canton enforced the observance of the new law in all the prefectural districts of Kwangtung with the single exception of that whereof Canton forms an integral part.

As most readers know, Hongkong carries on Large opium trade to bulk with the Coast Ports of the Southern Province, and in particular with Walchow. Swatow and other outlying prefectures. The effect of the revival of the montpolistic regulations in the districts outwith Canton is producing very serious conse quences in so far as the trade of this Colony, it onium is concerned. Within the past formight the export of the commodity to Swatow that the serious decline has amounted to a practical stoppage in the business resulting in serious loss, to Bri ish merchants Thedisorganisation in the trade is viewed with serious misklyings by exporters who see in the action of the provincial Government another blow to the precarious opium trade. The restrictive effect of the regulations on sales in the interior necessarily finds its reflex in Hongkong on the greatly diminished deliveries which have been reduced to a volume hardly worth speaking of

At the present juncture dealers in the commodity at Swatow and its vicinity are enshrouded in uncertainty with the consequent result that confidence in the future of the trade is completely shaken. In the circumstance, it was only to be expected that the British firms of long standlog in the Colony and interested in the threatened trade have taken the only step open to them by making representations to Mr. H. U. Fox, the Acting British Consul-General in Canton. From the knowledge of the British Cousul's energetic promptitude to bandling similar cases in the past, it can confi leatly be predicted that he will lodge adequate protests with the

-Viceroy against the latest, mist flagrant and vexatious violation of British Treaty rights. It should be added that this infringement of the specific provision of the Treaty not only affects British opium merchants but British shipnwhers also in whose vessels onlum in bulk from Hongkong are shipped to the Treaty Ports of China. -:

" SELLING À PIG. SCENE IN QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

While a district watchman was on duty along Queen's Road West last night he heard cries of "I'm not going: I won't be said like a pig." and, turning round sharply, he saw two men struggling in the middle of the road. On make ing the necessary inquiries the district watchman was told a story which justified him is ylacing under arrest a man named Li Siou. who was arraigned in the Police Court, to-day, charged with bringing a youth into this Cloony

for immigration purposes. Wing Wong Kwan was the lad's name, and according to our information he carned a living in Cauton by sciling core ce. A few days ago Li Sing took passage for that port, and meeting the boy, invited him to come to Hongkong, where, he said, a batter living could be made. Wing consented to accompany him, and a day or two ago saw both, of them promenading about the streets of Hongkong. B some mesasor another little Wing learnt that his alleged benefactor had brought him to Hongkong purposely, to have him shipped to the Strains Settlements, where he would be sold to "a dealer, a la chu chai. He waited his chance, and last night while out for a walk created the uproar as given above.

Li Sing denied the charge, and the case was adiourned.

36th ult. by the Emperor of Japan, who conferraad upon him the First Class of the Order of Sir Charles CortalyouMr. R. G. Mav. I he will remain for a week.

"The Country Girl."

ANOTHER DRAMATIC SUCCESS.

HONGRONG AMATEURS CHARM'A CROWDED

Almost the first thought that comes to the mind after witnessing the talent of the Hongkong Amateur Dram stic Society is how did the members arrive at the selection of the piece chosen. There are so many trashy plays going the rounds nowadays, and so many insibid and tame operas called comic which please the uncritical and easily pleased that the ultimate decision as to the most suitable medium must be lenced about with mu h entanglement, Aiready the ameteurs have given us of the pick of comedies, but their venture in such a wellknown and exhibitating plece as ."The Country Girle must have been undertaken with no little. trepidation. For "The Country Girl " demands of the

artistes such an expenditure of vital force, such a variety of dramatic talent, such a cell upon the art of the entroproceur, that even those whose faith in the Amateur Dramatic Society was bolstered up by past successes was found hanging in jappardy. In an ordinary comedy, the requirements are limited to mobility of expression, case of deportment, and what may be termed paturalness. Any and each of these may be overdone, and if exaggerated ever so little they give the stage presentation a hollowness and unreality which rob it of that verisimilitude which is the head hand infront of life-like actuality. It then becomes a caricature, a grating exaggeration which disappoints on audience prepared to enter into the spirit of the theme. As everyone knows, such plays as "Sweet Lavender" or "Love in Idleness" or any of Edward Terry's repeatory would be ruiped were even the smallest character to indulge in buffooners when sympathy is called for, and even the youngster in "Caste" would fail as a foil to Eccles if his sincerity were doubtful.

So much for plain septimental comedy. How much more then is necessary when a play becomes a sort of superior burlesque, especially considering that amateurs have to fill the chief parts? It is all very well to say that the professional companies achieve the result desired without unduly straining themselves. But then a company of professionals is selected from a bost of Thespians who have devoted time and study to the delibertion of particular characters. A Tree as a dashing. guardsman would look as much like a monkey on a piece of string as Hodyn Coffin would look like an Antony. So that after the musical comedy had been decided upon, the real question was who could be found to fill the cast? Hongkong is a small place after all, and the circle of those capable of sustaining a role in musical comedy is extremely circumscribed. It is not a question of pick and choose; rather it is usually a case of Hohson's choice, for outwardly at least, we are a bashful lot of backseaters, who would prefer to peep through the curtain to taking a front bench. We like to look on and criticise and speculate how much better we could do these things that are displayed for our benefit than the mummers who have braved the agony of the limelight. With what misgivings those in charge of the arrangements went about their voluntary duty of straightening out the preliminaries we can only guess. Bu the wiles and cajoleries, the honied pleadings and silvery entrenties of those who are at the head of the A.D.C. are proverbial, and out of the meagre few who have that 'findefinable something known as a stage presence and sense of make believe a company was formed which does infinite credit to the theatrical in-

stinct of the managing committee. Let it be said, without further palaver, that the presentation of "The Country Girl" for the first time last night was a crowning success to the past achievements of the A.D.C. There was not so much as the ripple of a contrelemes. except where it was contemplated by the comedy: every little point was emphasised with due regard to its importance; and the new "business" introduced was decidedly effective: . How long the amateurs have been working to attain the result which was so enthusiastically acclaimed last night, we are not in a position to say. The very freshnest, vivacity and swing of the comedy indicate ed that the rehearsals had not brought staleness in their train, nor dimmed the original conception. They tably, "The Country Girl' recalled memories of nights long, past, and inevitably the mind drew comparisons, but the A.D.C. suffered in no way from these comparisons. Indeed the play seemed to have gained a new lease of life. It was as translucent as summer sky, and bright with the enthusiasm of the performers, a joy-and pleasure which were communicated to the crowded audience.

After the first few jokes, people were on the gui vive of expectation. Here was no antiquated fossil of a comedy dependant on resurrected gags, and paleolithic quips on things long dorgotten. It was up-to-date, sprightly as a Honglong maid, charming with the charm which comes from acknowledged ability on the part of the arristes and picturesque scenery. The songs were rendered with all the vim and go of a Brooklands race, and the choruses, the attitudes, the piquant poses of those holding subordinate parts came as a revelation to those who know nothing of the versatile powers of young Hongkong. The dancing by the ladies, who, without a doubt, worked hard under the able tutorship of Mr Ged. A. Caldwell, at the practices, was simply admirable. As for the tags which hit the Colony's weak points, they were taken up and enjoyed with increasing happiness. 4The Country Girl" is to stay with us for a week or thereby, but we fancy there are many who will

be loth to part with her even thep. First 4 As for the players, we confess to a feeling of pervousness in tackling such a difficult problem. Were we to mete out undiluted praise we should be charged with sycophaccy. On the other hand, were we to single out the little slips here and there and make of them t mountain of detail we should be equally at fault. That there were minor mistakes here and there none will deny; that the performance as a whole was an unbounded tribute to the dramatis personæ is beyond question, and in the galaxy of pleasura-de forgor, nay, we hardly noticed, the trifles which unobtrusively alid away. We may be pardoned if amongst so many we make no special mention of the excellence of individual performers. As everyhody will be going to see "The Country Girl! for themselves, let them, judge for themselves and: we are certain that poless they are of shelpisanthropical, jaundiced order, they will find the same difficulty as we have ourselves in apportioning the credit due to each and all of the caste. We give the casts, which is about the largest that has been seen on the Hongkong stage for many a year:--Geoffery Challoner Mr. Geo. P. Lammert. Reigh of Bhong Mr. H. P. White, Sir Joseph Verity Lt. Com. Dickens, R.N. Lord AnchesterMr. H. V. Wilkinson,

.....Sub-Lt. D. Mazwell, R.N. Attendants J Mr. C. C. F. Cunningham. Princess Methlina of BhongMiss P. Seth. Madame Sophie Miss Ella Rowe. Mrs. St. QuintinMrs. Henry Humpbreys, Lady Arnott Miss D. Shelton Hooper. NurseMiss Warren. Princess'..... Miss Chapman. Attendants... J Miss Chatham.

Nan Mrs. H. A. Stewart. Vallagers, Rustic, Farm Hands, &c., &c.-Mesdames Gilby, McFarlane, Capel, Tarrant, Misses Seth, Andrews, Tennant, Lambert, Hance, Sayer, Schmidt, Miller, Meists: Flemming, Coughtrie, Lammert, Wilson, St. Clair, Young, Nugent, Turner, Walker, Ayris, Graff, Sayer, Thomas, Hayward, H. W. Sayer Miss Hooper, Mrs. Gilby, and Miss Seth, were among those who specially charmed the audience with their dances.

The musical director was Mr. George Grimble, the orchestra being composed as follows: First Violins, Capt. H. M. Beasley, R.A. Mr. I. R. Hargenves, Mr. E. Wolf, Mr. C. A. P. Xavier. Cello, -Mr. I. A. Rozario, Bass. -Mr. W. W. Matthews, Cornets, -Mr. C. C. Elliott Mr. Bristow. Clarionet.—Bandsman "totchking. The "Buffs" Trombone. - Bands. man McOuade. The "Buffs." Second Violing. Mr. G. G. Catchick, Mr. J. M. S. Rezario, Mr. Sibbitt, Sorgt Perdue, A. P. D. Viola,-Bands. man Tester, The "Buffs." Flute .- Mr. of. D. Osmund, French Horns - Corporal Miller, and Corporal Miles, The "Buffs," Bassoon.-Lance Corporal Smith, The "Buffs." Timpani. -Bandsman Kennings, The "Buffs," Plano,-Mr. George Grimble.

It is needless to say that the costumes' caught the eye of every lady in the Theatre. Measrs. Powell & Co. were responsible for the furnishings, while Messis, A. S. Walson & Co. gave that delicate scented flavour to the pro-

The production was under the charge of Mr. John' Robertson, who is the Arthur Collins of the East. Mr. Arthur Chapman was a capable business manager, and Messis, Mowbray Northcore and E. Ormiston did their duty as hon. secretary and hon: treasurer respectively.

> THE CHEUNG-SHA-WAN 7KAGEDY.

ACCUSED ON TRIAL FOR MURDER.

Important particulars of the Cheung-sha-wan murder were given in the Police Court, yesterday afternoon, at the trial of a coolie pamed Chiu Yuen Fuk, who was charged with murdering a compatriot named Choi Yuen on the 26th November last. The defendant, a man of about thirty-two years, pleaded not guilty to the in-

Mr. I. H. Kemp (first police magistrate) presided. Assistant Superintendent of Police King, assisted by Police Sergeant Angus, conducted the casa for the police. The defendant was not represented. ..

Dr. H. Muclar ane, officer in charge of the Kowloon mortuary, gave an account of the numerous stab wounds he found ou deceased's body at the post morient examination, he held. There was an inch wou d at the base of the back of the neck on the left hand side. extending down for an inch;" an inch cut on the outer side of the left elbow into the muscle f another inch cut on the lower part of the left shoulder blade; three long bruises on the other side of the right forearm; a bru so an inch long on the upper part of the right shoulder blade; two coals of the intestines protraded below the lower left part of the abdomen, covering about six inches in diameter. On putting the intestines back an inch and a quarter cut through the abdomenal wall showed. The stab perforated the intestines. and cut blood vessels and a large hiemorrhage along the abdomenal wall was torn. The heart was not exactly empty; the lungs were dry and -bloodless:--- Death-in-the-doctor's-opinion:-was due to hamorrhage. A knife, commonly used by the Chinese, for slaughtering pigs was given to the doctor and he was of upinion that the wounds were caused by it. The weapon was about five inches long, the middle of the blade measuring some three inches wide.

The story which led to the tragedy was fold by a stone carrier named Wong Hin. defendant and the deceased lived together in a matched on the hillside at Cheung-sha-wan, he said. On the afternoon of the atthulto witness was with the eccased in his shed. The desendant was present. In the conversation that followed deceased told witness that defendant stole \$1.50 from his trunk. The defendant was present at the time

The Court-What did he say to that? Witness-There was a quarrel and then fight between them followed outside the house. which was stopped by a woman and mysel-

After this defendant went away. That was al that took place that night and I went to a friend's to pass the night. - Next morning, at about 0.30 o'clock, I went to see the deceased. I found him sitting on his bed. He was the only one in the house. A few minutes later defendant entered. I left the shed for a while and on my return I beard the two men quar-

about?-! don't recollect.

Can't you remember what was said !- No. Do you know if it was over the \$1.50?-Yes. And what followed?-They quarrelled for i few minutes. Then defendant gulled a knife out of his pocket. Deceased, got up and ran out of the house. Defendant pursued him, overtaking him about twenty yards outside the house. The deceased was seized by the queue and defendant stabbed him with the knife. saw this myself for I ran after defendant. There might have been four or five stabs given, but only saw the one in the stomach delivered.

ness also called for assistance. At that moment a man carrying a piece of rope came and witness helped to bind the defendant's the predicament in which they were placed the is the general belief, however, that the tobbers, hands and feet. This accomplished, the deceased was removed to his shed, and a messenger sent to Sam-shui-po for the police, The bearing was adjourned at this stage.

With this stab deceased fell to the ground, and

bolding defendant by the queue, called. "Save

IT will be remembered that some time ago says the Kobe Herold, the N.Y.K. laid up three, steamers here—the Yokohama Mary, Oml Maru and Wagalo Maru. Since then, the T.K.K. steamers Manuhu Maru (5,248 tons) and and Rassto Maru have been lvid up at Yokohama, Mr. Hitomi's Ufina Haru (4.403 tons) and Mr. Kishimoto's Shinkulu Mary (4, 5 tobs) at Osaka, and the Talen Maru (1:148 tons) and Ricto Maru (2,521 tons) at Kobe The Government transport Migoshino Maru (3,706 toos), which will shortly be released. will be laid up at Osaka It is greatly feared that I tache in Peking, arrived in Shanghai on Thurs-Granfer Mummery Mr. M. S. Northcote. Groommin Thirmwhim Mail. Hall Tate steemship owners in consequence

BUYING A SBWING MACHINE. INSTALMENT PLAN AND DOUBLE CONTRACTS

A very interesting action having reference to the sale of a sewing machine on the hire system was told in the Sopreme Court, last Tuesday The Singer Sewing Machine Company sued Exekiel, of o. Ice House Road, to recover the sum of 145, being the balance for a machine sold and delivered to the defendant, at the time he was connected with the Curlton House. Mr. Utto Kong Sing appeared for the plain tiff firm, while Mr. J. 11. Gardiner acted for the

defendant. Mr. A. E. Parker, the manager of the plaintif firm, stated that on the 11th June last he sold defendant a band machine. The agreement cotered into was that if 15> were paid before five months the machine became the defend ant's property, otherwise the price would be 'S7 . It was als a greed that the money should Miss Ella Rowe, Mrs. Henry Humphrays, | be paid by munthly instalments of Sto. The defendant had only paid \$25 on account, leav-

ing a bulance of \$45. Cross-examined-I put it to you that you have received \$30 for this machine?-Yes,

Not Sag? - Yes. Five dollars were paid to you on the day the writ was served? Yes. As a matter of fact we only received \$4 as the defendant haid the shroff owed hun a dollar for cigarettes. Oo the day you alleged the machine was

wold, was it in the Colony !- No. And you issued your writ before the expiry of the five months ?-Yes. I put it to you that the arrangement was that

he should pay you \$10 down and 35 a month -Yes-the alternative contract is this: I 840.40 was paid within five months the machine was his. Isn't that so?-Yes'.

The Court - Wby that forty cents? Mr. Gardiner— hat was the price of the machine.

(Proceeding)-The period for this machine expired in November?-Yes. So that in October after the payment of \$5 there was a balance of \$20,40 due?—Yes, There was no cause of action at the time you issued the writ according to the alternative

contract?—I think so. The "ulternative contract", as it was called, read that if paid within five months the machips would cost \$50.45. The "other contract" was that if it was not paid for within five months the price was to be \$70.

In re-examination, the witness stated that on a certain date he received a letter from the defendant saying that the machine was not in the Colony; that it was with the Bandmann Opera Company, and that he would be responsible for its return. The machine belonged to the plaintiff firm and it was an "act of charity" on their part that they reduced the price of the machine for delendant. 'I he plaintiff film had the right to take back the machine and sue for the balance if the price of it was: not phid before the time. The Court-When the writ was issued had

the time clapsed Mr. Kong Sing-No. We are suing in

Mr. Gardiner-They do not know what they are suing for.

Mr. Kong Sing-We can't do business that way. It wouldn't be fair for the company to allow the time to expire and then accept \$50.4 when the customer pleased to pay.

The compradore of the plaintiff firm spoke to entering into the contract with the defendant. The machine was not sent to "one of the Bandmann Opera Company" by direction of the defendant. The latter took delivery of the machine himself. Some time later the defendant told witness that he could get back the machine by applying to the Carlton Bouse, where some members of the Bandmann's were living. Witness sent somebody to take delivery, but as defendent could not be found, delivery could not

l'be obtained. The defendant deposed that in March last he obtained a sewing machine from the plaintiffs. for the use of one of the ladies of the Bandmann Opera Company. Witness paid two instalments. On payment of the second instalment he told plaistiffs' compradors to take the machine back, which they did not do. The next thing be beard was that the machine had not been returned and the plaintiffs claimed the full price. The machine, witness learned later, got mixed up in the luggage of the Bandmann's and was taken away. In consequence of this defendant entered into the contracts. which were made out by the compradore. The agreement was that he should pay twelve instalments of \$; 'a month, or if defendan 'could make good" be would only have to pay \$50.40. He had already paid \$30.

Mr. Kong ing - You paid Sto down? - Yes. And you failed on the \$5. instalments?—Yes. On two monthly instalments?—Yes. I think you've been bere for debt before?-

You were lodged at the Victoria Gaol, were you not?—Yes, I sued Goldenberg. And you were imprisoned for neglecting to pay?—Yes

Was that the only occasion you were in ganl?-Yes. Did you tell Mr. Parker that you got the machine for a Bandmann girl?-Yes; but she

was paying for it, -The was paying for it? If she was paying for it why did you opter into the agreement?-

did it for her. The case was adjourned until Friday morning. Mr. Justice Gomportz remarking that he The Court-What were they quarre ling | would like to consider the point regarding the two contracts—the bigger or d the smaller one

> TRAMUAR PARTIALLY WRBCKBD.

SERIOUS COLLISION AT KENNEDY TOWN.

About \$100 damage was done to an electric trancar at Kennedy Town last Monday in acollision with a truck. The front pertion of the car was entirely carried away; and the motorman seceived certain injuries to his hand. The car. (No. 28) it would appear, was making for Ken/I work in precisely the same manner as above nedy Town at the time. A few paces in front sigled. After terror zing the shop, men they was a loaded truck in charge of a au , bar of made good their escape with clothing, jewellery. Witness ran up and grabbed defendant by coolies. At a certain point the truck anddenly and money to the value of \$150. swerved around, and before the emergency brake could be pule on the car ran into the plied to the police by the victims, and steps are truce with the results mentioned above. Seeing | being taken to run the scoundrels to earth. 18 coolles, as is the usual case, bolted. The head have crossed the border into Chinese territory, truckman was, however, caught. He explained | where they are safe to dispose of the spoil at that the collision war due to no fault of his. At their own sweet will. the moment, he explained, that the tramcar was about to pass them one of the wheels of the truck sank into a deep rut in the road and the sudden far caused the truck to swerve round into the tram's way, causing the accident. The viorkman (Chan, Kam) was "charged in the Police Court, on Tuesday, with obstructing a framcar, thereby endangering the lives of the passengers therein and with doing damage to the car, Mr. A. Course, traffic superintendent of the Tramway Company, prosecuted, and the case was remanded.

SIR Alexander Hosis, M. M. Commercial Atthe number of laid-up vessels will increase, as I day. Before the opening of the International time rost on and there is a good deal of Dolum Conference to which Sig At Hosle is short time in Houghong.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

LADY LUGARD EXPECTED 24TH DEC.

An official dinner is to be held at Govern ment House on the 1st December of The following is a list of invited guests: H. E. Admiral the Hon. Sir Hedworth Lambton, K.C.V.O., etc., R.M., Flag Captain Clinton Baker. R.N., Flag Comdr. North, R.N., Flag Lieut, Mullaneux, R.M. Mr. Motton, R.N., Comdr. Foller. R.N., Nr. and Mrs. Slade, Mr. and Mrs. Baretto. Mr. Bernede, Mr. Eitzen, Mr. Moreno, Mr. and. Mrs. Tiedmann, Lt.-Comdr. Dickens, R.W., Lt.omdr. Gresson, R.N., Major Close, R.R.; Capt. and Mrs. D. Dooper, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Bayard. Capt. Dwyer, Major Probyn, R.A.M.C. Lit-Col. Stacpole, A P D .. Capt. and Mrs. Waller, Dr. Aubiey, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey, Mr. Elwos. Mr. P. Goldring, Miss Innes, Mr. and Mrs. Logan and Sir F. Lovell, C'M.O.

The community will be glad to know that Lady Lugard left Marseilles, by P. and O. Victoria, on Nov. 27th, and arrives here Dec.

THE GOVERNOR'S ENGAGEMENTS.

"he following are His Excellency's engagements for the ensning week ;-4th, Frid vy-H R. receives Commander, J. Dougherty, U.S. Naval Attache at Tokyo. In evening attends performance of " Country

5th, Saturday-Lupches with cricket teams. in the Pavilion 1,15 p.m. 9h, Wednesday-H.E. inspects Hongkong and Whampon Docks, Kowling, Dines with Stewards of lockey Club at Hongkong Club." 11th, Friday-Opens Bezant at 1. College Gardens in aid of the C.M.S. Training School,

St. saul's College and the Ministering Child-

ren's League Institutions.

FIRE AT WEST POINT DAMAGE ESTINATED AT \$ 1,000.

A fire, resulting in damage being done to the extent of about \$2,000, brose out in & threestoreyed building in Water Street, West Point, at about one o'clock yesterday morning. The fire brigade, in charge of Mr. G. N. Orme (deputy superintendent of police) were on the scene shortly afterwards. With a good supply of water at hand the flames were extinguished before serious demage could be done. "The first and second flaors, occupied by coolies, were entirely guited. The ground floor, occupied by a preserved fruit merchant, which was insured for \$21,000, was slightly damaged by fire and water. The fire, which was believed to have extarted in one of the upper floors, is believed to have been caused by a cigarette dropped by a cardless coolie. The police are making the necessary investigation.

MISSING LEDGERS. HONGKONG MERCHANT ACCUSED OF THEFT.

Stealing a firm's account books, was the charge preferred against Tam Wing Chiu, a merchant, residing at 40, Upper Lascar Row, in the Police Court, last Tuesday, The complainants were Kwong Pak Tong and Lu Chun Wo, managers of the Tal Wo Hop Kee firm,

119, Wing Lok Street. it was alleged from the information placed at the disposal of the magistrate (Mr. J. R. Wood) that on the 10th ulto, the defendant called at the Tai Wo Hop Kee shop and asked permission to examine cortain account books. He was permitted to do so, and according to the information, took the books away with high The defendant, it was stated, was not a partner. in the firm and therefore had be tight to the books.

This allegation was denied by the defence and the case was acjourned.

SHOPKERPERS ROBBED.

DARING GANG OF OUTLAWS AT WORK

UNITHE MAINLAND. At this season of the year, when the Chinese New Year is not so very far off, and when the lonlers are looking forward to a good time;" armedrobberies on the Mainland are not an unrommos occurrence. So' far less than a dozen houses in the New Territory have been broken? into by lawless gangs and in each case valuable stuff has been stolen, and in many cases the inmates maltreated. Up to now the police have only been able to follow up one robbery to a finish and three men are being detained in

the Victoria Gaol awaiting trial. The doings of a number of these outlawswho are suspicted to belopg to the gaps responsible for the previous attacks-at Chuenwan list night, are of a daring character, inasmuch as the gang rassacked two shops in

the village almost at the same time. Chuen-wan village is on the mainland, situated a little distance away from Section, and about three and a half hours' steam from Hongkong. It was reported to the police that shortly after seven o'clock last Sunday evening a gang of about fourteen men forced an entry into a shop (No. 20) by pulling down the back door. Five of the men were armed, rome carrying revolvers and some choppers, two held lighted torches, and the remainder were there to collect the booty while the others stood guard. and were empty-handed. The shop people numbered about four men in all, and they were driven into 'a corner and told to keep still otherwise they would be all slaughtered. Of course the fokis obeyed, and while four men stood over them, swinging their weapons about threateningly, the others rangacked the premises correcting -- targe quently of clothing. stores, and a sum of money, altogether totalling about \$97. They then made away with the booty.

Almost at the same time nine other hooligans, who no doubt belonged to the original garg. were playing bavoc with apother shop (No. 30) a little distance down the road. They were armed with similar Lwcapons and carried out their melarious

NON-SUITED.

DECISION IN THE SEWING MACHINE ACTION.

The reserved decision of Mr. Justice Gompertr in the action brought by the Singer Sew ing Mechine Company against B. Rechiel to recover the sum of \$45; balance due for a sew ing machine sold to him on the instalment plan, was delivered in the Suprame Court vesterday morning. His Lordship stated that he found that there parties. (The first contract had not expired; and he was of opinion that there was so break abriety amongst shipping companies and pri- i one of the British delegates be will spend a of the second agreement. He would sometiment

INERAL MANAGER'S REPORT FOR 4 WEEKS ENDING 7TH MOVEMBER, 1908.

The mine measurements, and assay returns of prospecting work show's total of 933 feets for the period (4 weeks) under review, made up of 18 feet sinking, 75 feet driving, 207 feet cross-cutting and \$43 feat of prospecting work ms against 1,030 feet for the previous four weeks.

Koman, 540 feet Level, Drive South,-This has been driven 3 feet, making a total of 80 feet. The lode 54 in. wide assays 14% dwt. 540 feet Level, Drive North. - This has been

taken from 27 to 20 feet. 540 feet Level, Drive North and South on Hanging Wall Portion .- These have been driven 2 and I feet respectively. The south drive le now only in work.

440 feet Level Drive South -To this has been added, a feet, bringing the total to 470

The lode 15 in. wide is worth I dwt. The winze from the crosscut off the main winte below:this level has been sunk to feet, making a total depth of 38 feet, and is now connected to the 540 feet level. The lode averages 12 jp, wide and worth 92 dwt. per ton. 340 feet Level South. Drive South in stope .-Here 3 feet has been driven making a total of or feet. The lode \$4 io. wide assays 61 dwt. Cross-cutting for Stope filling.-100 feet.

Stopes .- Above the 440 feet level, 2 stopes ; Lode 69 ip. wide and worth 5 dwt. Above the 340 feet level, 2 stopes; Lode 108

in, wide and worth 21 dwt. Above the 240 feet level, I stope; Lode 132 in, wide and worthir dwt.

STOPE MINE. 160 feet Level, Drive South .- To this has been added 37 feet making a total of 884 feet. south of shaft. The lode III in wide averages

Cross-cutting for stope filling .- 188 feet. Stopes. Above the 165 feet level, 2 stopes, lode 95 in wide and worth 124 dwt.

ANDERSON BHAFT. This has been sunk 8 feet, making total depth 215 feet.

BURIT MALACCA. No. 1 Level South of No. 1 Shaft.-This has been driven 13 feet, making a total of 343 feet, The lode 40 in wide averages 41 dwt. In the back of this level one stope has been worked on a lode 52 in, wide worth 32 dwt. Above the No. 2 Level two stopes have been

worked; the lode averaged 65 in. in width and 7 dwi in value. Underground and at surface 543 feet of pro-

specting work has been done. General,-At Bukit Komen the old head gear has been removed and a new one erected of the best Changai timber 14 in. by 14 in. and is feet high. The stopping caused by rehe change accounts for the small footage in der

velopment. As mentioned in a footnote in my last report a 14 in, die plunger pump has taken the place of the old 12 in. die in Stope mine and 18 w .rking satisfactorily. The water at Anderson Shaft is now being numbed to the if o lest level of Stope Mine and is easily dealt with by the large pump at Stope shaft; greater progress is now being made with the sinking.

In the Mill's new rock breaker has been out In. After the dismantling of the old one, the ore bin girders were found to be very rotten. and thuse have been changed. During the stoppage the pipe line at Sempan has been repaired and some changes made on the trans-

The stoppage thus caused accounts for the short tonnage crushed.

From the Wilfley tables 9.85 tons have been recovered worth 2.12 or per ton. The tables were idle for half the month being overhauled and repaired. The twelve weeks clean up of the Cyanide

has been made, and too (z), gold recovered from the treatment of 170 tons of concentrates and sands equalling a recovery of 12.82 dwt. per ton and 86.6 per cent. extraction. MILL RRTURNS,

40 stamps, ran 25 days less 4.2 days for re-

pairs, etc. Huntington Mill ran 28 days less 4.08 days for repairs, etc.

Ore Crushed Koman Stope 🐛 3,500 tons. 2,599 ozs producing Amalgam collected Retorted Gold 030.5 ,,

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dwt. per ton W. H. MARTIN,

PROPERTY-OWNER'S DIFFI-COLTIES.

RECEIVING ORDER GRANTED TO AHMET RUMJAHN.

In the Bankruptcy Jurisdiction Court, which was presided over by the Chief Justice, the petition of the Hongkong and Manila Yuen Shing Exchange Trading Company, of 64s, Bonham Strand West, for a Receiving Order against Ahmet Rumjahn was hoard.

Mr. F. P. Hett, who represented the cred tors, asked for the Order, and stated that the act of bankruptcy was notice to suspend payment. He then handed to the Chief Justice a letter from the debtor's then solicitor, which was in effect that debtor would file his own The assets, he pursued, amounted to about \$330,000, while the liabilities reached

\$185,0000332(C The Chief Justice—The assets comprise real

Mr. Hett answered in the affirmative. He said that debtor's bankruptcy. was due to the depreciation in the value of property. The debtor was not solvent, and if the property was to be sold now it would not realise much, The Receiving Order was granted.

charged on Friday with returning before his Mourning, however, will be testimed on the

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

A MAN-RATING TIGER [From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 27th November. The other day a man-eater was seen wandering in the neighbourhood of the Lin Tong vil lage in the Fa Vuen district. A peasant woman happened to be there at the time and on sceing her the tiger bounded upon her and badly mattled the poor womatt in several parts of the body. A man, who happened to be near and heard the poor woman's cries, ran up to her rescue and he also received a wound on his back from the tiger's 'claws. In' consequence of the serious nature of the wounds both the man and the woman died on the following day. The villagers are now using their best efforts to hunt down the beast.

A USEFUL INSTITUTION. .. The Viceroy has received instructions from the Ministry of Internal Affairs calling for a list of the gentries in the different districts in the Kwangtung province with all particulars as

to their names, age, titles, etc., so as to, enable the Ministry to make arrangements for the insiltution of councils in the province. LIKIN COLLECTION. . The amount of Likin dues collected in Cantop during the last ten days of the 10th moon

was 47,088.4.0.2 tacts. PRECAUTION AGAINST MUTINEERS. As the result of the recent mutiny in Anhui, the Canton Viceroy has received a telegraphic despatch from the Viceroy of the Liang Kiang,

H.E. Tuan Fang, advising the Canton authorities to take precautionary steps to prevent the mulineers from fleeing over to Canton. TELEPHONE MISMANAGEMENT.

with the Canton Telephone Bureau by the the deceased's body together with the Capresidents against the telephone communication | tain. a foreign doctor and others. So far being in an unsatisfactory state, but so far these complaints have produced no effect at all, though the telephone authorities have promised to bring about a reform in their administration. The Taotai of Constabulary has now also reported to the Viceroy that the telephone in his yamen was in a wretched condition and that necessary steps should be taken without delay, with the result that the Viceroy has removed Superintendent Fung of the Telephone Bureau from his office and appointed Mr. Lum Chun to fill the vacaucy.

AN ACT OF KINDNESS. The Portuguese Consul at Canton has informed the Viceroy that he was in receipt of a cheque for \$805 for transmission to the Central Relief Committee towards the flood relief funds, the amount being the proceeds collected in a theatrical performance in Macao. The Consuasked the V ceroy to send a deputy to his Consulate to receive the smoney. In reply the Viceroy thanked the Cansul for his kindness and has given authority to the Relief Committee to receive same.

RESTRICTION AGAINST OPIUM-SMOKING, The Pan Yu magistrate Chou Yu Chun has issued a proclamation to prohibit the sale o opium amoking apparatus in the city of Canton on pain of severe punishment.

> 28th November. PATROL CRUISERS COMPLETED.

The four shallow draft cruisers built in liongkong have been completed and delivered to the Canton Provincial Government, and they are now about to be detailed to the West River for patrol service. The River is divided into four sections. The Klang Ta will cruise between Wuchow and Tak Hing, the Klang Chi between Tak Hing and Shiu Hing, the Kinng Kung between Shiu Hing and Tai Ping Sha and the Kiang Ku between Tai Ping Sha and Tung Sai Ma Ning.

PEOPLE RUN RIOT. With reference to the report that a monk was arrested the other day by the police in Fatshan for obtaining money from the ignorant villagers by pretending that he was able to bring fortune to the people and drive away the devils from them, and that he was afterwards brought to Canton to be dealt with, yesterday, a crowd numbering over it thousand people, most of whom were women, collected at the Police station and demanded of the police officials the monk's release. The police were unable to disperse the gather. ing, with the result that the force attempts ed to open fire at the people. Matters became serious and the gates of the different streets were therefore shut. The authorities carnestly persuaded the people to return to their homes, but instead of quieting down the people threw stones at and wrecked the police station. The officials were obliged to give orders to arrest some of the people, but had to release them owing to the overwhelming number of the mob, who attempted to attack even the officials themselves, Urgent telegrams were therefore sent to Canton asking the High Authorities for instructions how to deal with the case. This morning Admiral Li Chun was instructed by the Viceroy to proceed to the spot with several hundred soldiers on board five Government steam launches to restore

ANTI-OPIUM MEASURES.

The Canton Official Anti-Opium Refuge has recently promulgated the following regulations for the control of the applicants: -1. Applicants dre to first register their names at the asylum. 2. Every applicant must: have a satisfactory guarantor before anti-opium pilis can be given but justice." him. 3. Every applicant must sign an agree. ment that he will not take any opium in the future. (On any breach of this rule, the offender will be severely punished and the guaranter concerned will be made to pay ten times the cost of pills issued). 3. Every applicant has to provide a small book in which the name. address and occupation are to be recorded, the examination, the Chinese are said to have subject. together with the amount of his daily allowauce of opium. Such a book has to be chopped at the asylum and on presentation of the book, I pills will be distributed to the holder. 5. Antisickness arising from his giving up the drug, to attend it, bringing with them the necessary he should report himself at the Relige where witnesses. he will be attended to by the official doctors

On the 20th instant a train, returning to Fataban from Sainam, while passing near Tong Shan, knocked down a man and ran over his left leg. The wound is of a serious nature and

THE NEW EMPEROR.

there is no hope for the man's recovery.

H.E. Viceroy Chang Jan Chun has been in receipt of a telegram from Paking announcing that the new Chicase Emperor, whose reign is styled Heuan Tung, will ascend the Throng on the 9th day of this moon (and December). The Viceroy has now accordingly issued a proclamation to inform the public to the above effect, commanding all officials, civil and mili-Li Pind, a coolis, residing at 37, Li Sing tary, to assemble at the Imperial Temple on Street, was banished from the Colony for five that day in ordinary official dress, together years on the 27th ulto. Li, however, was found with the local gantry and the people to perform In the Colony last Thursday, and on being ceremonial rites before the Imperial lablet

The Vicercy has also been in receipt of tologram from the Ministry of Foreign Aff its informing him of the accession of the N Emperon Henen-Tung on the otherayant this moon, and that ordinary official dress should be worn on that day by all officials in case of receiving foreign officials who may come to congratulate them on this occasion. DISTURBANCE ON A STEAMER.

This morning the steamer Patskan arrived. here with the news of a sad occurrence of an alleged murder that has taken place on boardwhile coming from Hongkong. The story. states that when one of the ticket collectors came round to collect tickets on the deck, he noticed that one of the passengers was lying. asleep and in order to wake him up to pay fare, the officer struck the passenger on the head with his fingers with no intention of hurting him. On finding that the passenger would not | budge, the officer gave the passenger a vigourous kick, which accidentally burt his ribs on the right side. Both wounds are said to be fatal, but the last one proved to be more seriou than the first, as declared by the other passchrers. A few hours later, the founded man expired before the steamer's arrival at Canton. the native pansengers on board at the ime of the incident were in confusion and tried to attack the alleged murderer, but for-"tunstely no serious-consequences followed as was at first feared. The passengers, while still on board the steamer, agreed to sign a inint petition to the officials on their arrival at Canton, and to make a representathe Self-Government Society Cross , Society reporting Considerable excitement has prevailed this morning among the Chinese who cyllected in large numbers outside the whari. It was not till half-past two Namboi Magistrate arrived on board

o'clock that the Kwangchow Prefect and the Complaints have been frequently lodged steamer where they made an inquest as it is ascertained, no marks were found on the body which might have caused the death. Fortunately, the gates of the wharf were closed, otherwise the people would have gone up the steamer and further trouble might havelensued. The natives are now thinking to boycott the steamer Faishan, but this remains

sat December.

AFTERMATH OF A SAD INCIDENT. With reference to the disturbance on board the steamer Fatshan following is a free translation of a joint petition; to the officials by the

oassangers :--"On the 28th ultimo we, the undersigned. were passengers on board the steamer Fulsham, At about 11 o'clock in the evening, the members of the compradore's department, together with some foreign officers, came round to collect fares. One of the Chinese passengers, whose name is not known, who is a little over forty years of age, was then asleep with a blanket over him on deck. The ticket collectors overlooked the latter for his fare. At. about 12 o'clock, one of the ticket-collecting officers, a foreigner, came round for tickets. He roused the sleeping passenger by means of a kick and asked bim for his ticket. The passenger started up, half dozing and the foreign officer seeing bim in this semi-wakecondition, and being impatient, treated him to to few more kicks and demanded his ticket. The passenger said: "You haven't come for my fare; where can I have a ticket to give you?" I rifles, On bearing this reply, the foreign officer dealt the passenger a couple of slaps. When the passenger was going to produce the money from his pocket, the foreigner again gave him a slap on the head. The passenger then asked for quarter but, nevertheless, the foreigner gave him a few more kicks on his right ribs and uttered some abusive words. The passenger, on receiving these wounds, fell down unconscious, and after three-quarters of an hour, the unfortunate man succumbed. When the passenger first boarded the steamer, he was seen sitting down on a straw mat and smoking a cigarette; and on being asked by the cook of the ship if he wanted any rice, he said he had had his suppor already before coming to the steamer. Seeing the Chinese passenger was brutally done to death by the foreigner, the other Chinese passengers were in a state of consternation, all determined to take revenge on the offender, who then made his escape. We, Fung Tack Bon and Tam Shiu Po, (two of the undersigned) were origi ally, passengers on the upper deck and on hearing the scuffle ran down to see what

had happened. After we had recovered from our first shock, we at once started a subscription list, and thus collected a certain sum of money from among the other Chinese passengers. We were then selected to report, on immediate arrival at Canton, the case to the Water Police Authorities, the Self-Government Society and the Red Cross Society. We personally saw all that had passed, and we are now quite willing to present ourselves as eyewitnesses. The foreigner is called Sang Kai Tsai, which mesps a conning chick, and serves as a nickname. The dead body of the passenger is still lying on board the steamer under the vigilance of a number of Chinese coolies who voluntarily offered their services. We have handed the money that we have collected from subscriptions on board to the Self-Government Society. I' We bog that vou (officials) will at once hold an inquest on the body, together with the members of the Self-Covernment Society and the Red Cross

Society and to deal with the case with nothing (Signed) Yeung Wo Kai; Cheung Lau Ki; Kan Kwong Yat; Lo Chui Son; Fung Teck Son : Tam Shiu Po and others. At the inquest held later on the body, the foreign doctor was convinced that there were no marks on, it, but the people remonstrated and dynasty]-Yes. insisted on re-examining it personally. During found-marks of fitality in various parts of the

body and afterwards the body was removed ashore at 4 p.m. A conference is to be held to-day at the opium pills are to be distributed once every Bureau of Foreign Affairs and the members of five days. 6. In case a smoker suffers any the Self-Government Society have been called

with any charge, 7. Every Sunday a smoker circular persuading the people to remain quiet ever (peppermint). Witness did not know is required to present himself to be examined and see how the case will be conducted, but who composed the two documents posted up on no account to create any distribunces in a by the reform party, foolish way,

> On the night of the 28th ultimo, at about 1 o'clock, a fire-broke out in Chu Sau Lane the wastern suburb, which destroyed seventeen houses in all. The conflagration originated in unstely, by their presence of mind, forced a that snatched away their souls. Therefore it | wet-sugar from lave porte-to-this have well bole in the wall of one of the houses and in this way a number of lives were saved.

and Oton, on which work is expected to be years after the death of the Empire of Great commenced before long.

Provincial Judge presided personally at the Court to try him but the latter was reticent with regard to all questions put to him with the ex-I ception of a few religious words that he used in his prayers to the Buddha.

DISASTROUS CONFLAGRATION. On the 27th ultime, a fire broke out in Kam Chuk, a market-place in the Shun Tak district, at I p.m. The fire continued to rage til 7 p.m. when over one hundred and twenty building

were gutted and two lives lost.

Hongkong.

FATAL ACCIDENT. Yesterday, as the steamer Henngshan was approaching her wharf on her arrival from Hongkong, a coolis, who attempted to get aboard her as quickly as her could to obtain hire, had one of his legs crushed and cot through between the steamer and the side of

the wharf. LAST CRUISER COMPLETED. The Kinneku, the last of the four shallow draft cruisers, built by the Kwong Hip Loons

Dock Company to the order of the Canton.

Provincial Government for the West River

patrol service, arrived here yesterday from and December.

THE NEW EMPEROR. At 12 o'clock noon to-day all officials, civil and military, assembled at the imperial Temple, (Man Shou Kung) to perform ceremonial rites on the occasion of the enthronement of the new him, Emperor Heuga Tung. The officials were in ordinary official dress during the proceedings, at the conclusion of which mourning was once again resumed. The representatives of the different countries at Canton were also present at the ceremony to offer their congratulations to the Chinese officials on the event. The day has been observed by the officials and many others as a holiday, and some prominent buildings were gaily decorated. Salutes were fired by the Chipses gubboats at poop.

JOURNALS SUSPENDED. In honour of the accession to the Throne o the new Emperor, there will be no issue of vernacular papers here.

FRENCH CONSUL. H.R. Viceroy Chang Jen Chun will receive the French Consul at Canton to-morrow morning at to a m.

THE "FATSHAM" INCIDENT. With reference to the Fatihan incident an inquiry was held yesterday at the British Consulate of Canton. There were present the British Consul and Vice-Consul, the Nambol Magistrate, Mr. Sit Wing Nin, Deputy of Foreign Affairs, Dr. Davenport, the Manager of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, and others, At 4 o'clock, after the statements of the different witnesses were taken, the case was remanded for to-day, when the steamer. Faishan will be

HARBOUR COLLISION. This morning, while approaching her buoy on her arrival from Hongkong the steamer Kwong Sai collided with the steamer San Chaung, resulting in slight damage to the latter at her port side.

ENCOUNTER WITH INSURCEMTS. Taotal Kwok Jen Chang, Commander of the Imperial troops at Yumchow, has wired to -Canton-reporting that one of his officers was wounded and one soldier killed. The other side had two of the outlaws killed and eleven others captured, together with a number of

JUVENILE SMOKING PROHIBITED.

'The Viceroy has received a despatch from the Ministry of Education in Poking with instructions to direct the Provincial Educa tional Commissioner to enforce the regulations drawn and passed by that Ministry for the prohibition, of cigarette-smoking, by students under a certain age throughout, i whole province.

CHINESE MOURNING. REYORM PARTY ATTACKED.

CHARGE OF RIOTING ENTERED. The following report is taken from the Singapore Free Press of 27th ultimo :- Twenty Chinese (Cantonese, Kehs and Foochow men) were charged with rioting at the police court before Mr. Thunder, acting third magistrate. yesterday. The first three accused were also charged with woluntarily causing burt to E. P."

Mr. Hastings-Rhodes, the Deputy Public Prosecutor, and Mr Campbell appeared for the presecution. Mesers C. Everitt and V. D. Know-

les defended. The court was packed with Chinese. Hob Sam Tip, the owner of shops at 9 and 25 Temple Street, said that on the day of mourning for the Chinese Emperor he opened both the shops. A gang of 200 or 300 Chinese came up and said the Chinese Chamberof Commerce had ordered all shops to be closed. The growd demanded he should close his premises and threw bricks. A lamn was broken and witness was nearly hit by a stone. He went to the Centra Police Station and returned with P. C. Blyton, The crowd ran away when they saw the P. C. Mr. Everitt :- Did you help to defray the cost of sending out this red circular ?-No. In this circular, people who mourned for the

and slaves ! - I don't know. MEMBER OF REFORM PARTY. Politically, you'are one of the sympathisers of Dr. Sun Yat Sen?-1 will not say, whether I am or not. I know him.

Emperor and Empress are referred to as traitors

Do you belong to the reform party? -Yes. (Loud laughter among the Chinese in Court.) Have you over lectured against the Ching Are you a Chinese subject ?- I am a " I an"

The Court interpreter explained that a Han was a real Chinaman and that a Manchu was not recognised as a proper Chinaman.

Witness denied that he addressed the crowd and called them "slaves and traitors" for mourning. He also denied that placards were stuck up on his shop offering to sell oil to the hypocrites that would make them weep (loud The Self-Government Society has issued a laughter). He had such oil in his shop, how-

The Manchurlans had taken our Empire solitary, settlement from Selgon to 1 port and wasted our people of Han (China proper). Philippines, the hoat in question securing 17. The old gradge is still very deep. Those cents for a cargo of \$5,000 picula. enemies ought to die. At present both Kwong Su and his mother are dead. It must be God whatever doing lor nuts delt. Shipments of happy. To-morrow (19th inst.) all the Chinese the gresent prope produce is being purchased has linear what business as usual. You must not hear what H.E. Chang Pat Sto returned to Canton those traitors of Han say and not to again put boat his been procurable to location of those traitors of Han say and not to again put boat his been procurable to location of the traitors of Han say and not to again put boat his been procurable to location of the traitors of Han say and not to again put boat his been procurable to location of the location of yesterday after making a tour of inspection of your ancestors to disgrace. By the owner of finding of the point several other orders not the proposed line of railway between Tan Shul Hoa Kim Test. Two hundred and afty five finding a taker,

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recover our former Emplie Therefore revolu-Kwong Stield the Empress Downger happened' (o die one after the other this is the real Map. pinessiof our people of Han, il Everyone of our people of like who has warm blood ought to be cheerfuld What sorrow is there? Those of our, brathres of Han who stop business and mourn on, the 26th inst. (Chinese) are those who are willing, to tecognise a thief as father, and to give up their p wents in order to serve their enemies. "Those are all the people of Han in Singapore And her control

PROPERTY NEVER GRAD HISTORY Mer Rades un Toyour thind things are totter h China and require reform?--Yes. Have you ever read any European, historie t all pr. histories of the world in No. Mr. Everitt !- The Young Pretender ! Mr. Rhodes i -Olivar Cromwell, or George

Washington? Mr. Everitt :- That's not a parallel. If you had said Charles Stuart it would have been al

His, Worships -William, the Conqueror Mr. Rhodes 1-You belong to a body that not of the same opinion as the reigning authority !- Yes. The Court :- You have designs against the

oresent dynasty ?... The D. P. P., -No, no, your worship. That would be treason. I don't want to implicate

STRUCK WITH A BRICK. The wife of the shopkesper corroborated the evidence of the attack on the premises. She was hit on the head with a brick and her daughter. got a cut on the hand from flying glass. While boing cross-examined by Mr. Everitt, witness lainted and would have fallon if sha had not been caught by a Malay Corporal. She 'had to be carried out to the verandah;

Evidence was also given by a daughter of the shopkeeper, and by one of the assistants A Chinese cook employed in a school said be saw stones being thrown into one, of complainant's shops.

In reply to Mr. Everitt, the last witness said be was formerly, employed as a cook at, the "Choos Heng Poh" Chinese newspaper. (loud

That's the revolutionary paper, isn't it? The organ of Dr. Sun Yet Sent - Yes, Do you belong to the anti-dynastic party !-

Not a "Kek Mun"!-No. Why did you discard your towchang!-Be causalit was dirty and clumsyle for day Witness denied having written any articles for the paper. He protested that he was a cook although he wore gold-rimmed glasses an European shoes and socks,

BLYTON'S BATTLE.

P. C. Blyton stated that he arrested the thirdaccused for being im South Bridge Road with a gang of hooligans. A. They upset rikishes ; and struck the occupants.; In Temple Street, wit- at this date. ness saw from two to three hundred people. occupying the whole of the road for about a hundred yards. They appeared to be holding I Shaughai is 75%. a counsel of war... After inspecting the comthrown at him. Accused numbers one and two and bonus of Tis. 10m Tis. 20 on 15th. Decemwere the ringlesders and got other coolles to ber. collect stones for them. There was a regular, bombardment of stones from everywhere. He received a "clout" over the head with a bamboo brush from one of the windows. He picked up the bamboo and tried to disperse the crowd. A brick hit him on the whin and knocked him down. He went to the Hospital and was still being attended by a doctor. Witness would awear that the first accused thraw the stone at him. He could also recognise the stone. The next thing that he could remember was detective constable Ne 14 struggling on the ground with the man tha threw the brick. Reinforcements then came up and witness gave orders to rush the crowdil and arrest all who had taken part in the stone. throwing. Witness recognised all the accused with the exception of one man. They were

what he might call the front row. PULLING LAWYER'S LEGS. that, barring, the first three, you could not

swear to any man?.. I do not remember giving evidence before. But you said so to someone else?-I don't take notice of things, I say out of court. olten do things to pull a lawyer's leg (laughter). Someone has been carrying tales then.

"His Worship :- Did you make the state. ment?-No. Do you mean to say you can recognise all twenty minutes by a gang of mon and I had Wednesday morning.

plenty of time to look styhem. Did did hit anyone with that broom?-Yes One or two unfortunates." You did hit someone then?-I did not satisfy: myself (laughter.)

The D. P. withdrew the second charge against the third accused. The second charge shipping, against the first two was amended under Section 152 of the Penal Code The further hearing was adjourned till De-

COMMERCIAL.

PREIGHT MARKET.

Mesers. Lamke and Rogge write in their fortnightly circular of 28th November !--The general position of the freight market has changed but little since issue of last circular A very eatisfactory amount of business is still being transacted up North, but unforthustely the closing of Newchwang and Tienthin by: Icenia mow imminents whereby, trade will be considerably custailed. This fact combihad with the unlikelihood of any early se-Covery of the Southern trade-the new Spigon lesson will in all probability not come to the sescue of owners until some time in February of months will witness the forced laying-up of a number of coasting yessels.

The business of the formight is chiefly topresented by coal fixtures, of which the followlog are on record . Pulolitt to Singapore \$1.00, Kebau to Shanghal at \$1.90, Hongay to Hongkong at \$1,00, Hongay to Cabton at \$1,40 Hongay to Swatow at \$1.27, Halphong to Car ion at \$1.05. Wakematru to Canton at \$2.15

Sail Tonnage Loading or to Load to FOR.A antimore and/or New York :-Bris. berk.q Lyndhurst 2,249 tons, arrived 14th; September. Brit, bark Daylight 3,599 tons arrived 9th Sail Toppage Disongaged :-- None.

Departure of Sallers :- None.

WEBKLY SHARE REPORT. Reviewing the share business for the week!

Messis. E. S. Kadoorio & Co. wite on with Goneral dulness has prevailed, and the week's has been upproductive of any special feature. Banks, -- Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have hardened still further, and sales have taken place at \$845 and \$850 closing steady at the latter rate. The London quotation has receded to £82.

Marine Insurances.-Cantons have improved to \$195 at which rate sales have been effected. Unions siter spies at . \$810 have advanced to 88151 closing firm and with an upward tendency. North Chinas are quoted at Tis. 200, Yangisies are unchanged at \$1071....

Fire Insurances -China Fires have changed hands at \$102, and close with, buyers at, \$103.2. Hongkong Fires are obtainable at \$150, Shipping .- With the exception of Hour. kong, Canton and Macao Steamboats which have been sold at Sigs/4, all stocks under this heading are unchanged, and we have heard of no business.

Refideries, -- China Sugars have found buyers at Six41/2; and are in further demand. Lusone continue on offenat \$20. Perak Sugars hayend declined to Tis. 871.

Mining .- Raubs have been sold at rates up o Sa. Chinese Engineerings have strengthene ed to Tis/ 15% closing in demand. Docks, Wharves, and Godowna - Hougkong

and Kowloon, Wharfs have weakened to \$44 at which rate they are offering. Hongkong and Whampon Docks are easier and have sellers at "Sot. Shunghai Docks have shown and sharp recovery, and jumped to Tia. 79, closing strong and in demand. Hongkew. Whats . have inquiries: at Tis. trazi.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings, Humphraye Estates are wanted at Sol. Hongkong Hotale ? can be placed at \$80. Kowloon Lands have buyers at . Syo: West Points are quelle selle Shanghai Lands have not thanged, and area agoted at Tis; 1164. Cotton Mills - Ewoe have improved and arets

wanted at Tlaitoghi Hongkong Cottons have il weak-aed to Sto. and sellers pterailon have been Miscellaneous.-China Providents are in strong request, and have buyers at Sot. Dairy are inquired for at Sto, and Watsons at Set while Ices, have, sellers at 3130, and Lines island Coments at \$10. Language have to sellers prevail at 'I is. 880. Sumatras have also'd depreciated to Tis. 1174; but there are buyers Richange -- The Banks' selling rate to the

London is 1/82 on demand The 7 Trate, of Dividends Payable,-Ewo Cotton Spinning plainant's house witness came out and was and Weaving Co. Tla. 5 payable on estant hooted by the mob. Sandals and bricks were December, Langkets fourth interim of Tis, to

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

the accused?—Yes. I was being attacked for H.M.S. Monmouth left for the North early last 42

MANILA reports officially under date of Nov 25 4, " Past week cholera four cases only A VLADIVOSTOR dispatch states that the River Amur is frozen over and closed to

THE sale by auction of the two Rossian steament ers under attachment at Nakasaki has besitte postponed to the 10th last. BUSINESS at the Police Court last Saturday wand: extremely slack for this time of the year and at

the few cases that came on for hearing ware bear. no public interest. THE death is announced at San Sebasties of Mr. Maoliro Inagaki, Japanese Envoy , Rasie

traordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary Acre the Courts of Spain and Portugaland As a mark of respect for the anniversary of He M. Queen Alexandra's 64th, birthday, the wate. ships, in harbour were dressed last Tresday

and a salute of twenty-one fired at noon A STUDENT, by name Chan Yan Link, was accused of assaulting, his, grandlether, in their Police Court, last Tuesday forenoon. 200 evilly ence was taken, and the case was adjoirmed, od

CAPTAIN John A. Dougharty with Mrs. Dough berty are at the Hongkong Hetal. They saled to-day for Tokyo where Captain Doughers & Naval Attaché to the American Logalite At Tokyo and Paking ...

His Excellency the Governor has been blessed, to, appoint Lieutenant Colonel W. G. A. Bedlord, f.M.o., RAM.C., Principal Month officer, South China Command, to be a seem best of the Sanitary Board, was Libertained Colonel J. M. Reid, R.A.L.C., resigned was affect from the 19th ultimo.

A COLLIBION took place, between the stee

Haz, and from White to Swatow on the 17th nko, of M. Deverous of the Unbapplied on lump Customs. The deceased was very near the churisms our nearly of the Man-

ANOTHER "cerious bank failure occurred Poking the other week when a draft bank stopped payment. It is reported that the Chinese Government is the heaviest loser.

OWING to the Government being in mourning the ceremony of installing the Dalai Lama with his now title, which was to have taken place on 24th Nov., has been postponed.

THE Russian Volunteer steamer Locuqueton has been wrecked in a gale. Japanese torpedo boats assisted her to regain Tsuruga of the 24th Nov. and her passengers and freight are

A FIRE broke out at No. 35, Chiu Loong Street, last Saturday morning and damage done to the extent of \$100. We are not in a position to state whether or not the house was covered by insurance.

A STUDENT belonging to one of the Government schools in Peking has been arrested for spreading insidious rumburs. The student will be brought before the Court of Cassation some

AMTIKTEN dispatch to the Asahi states, that a notification has been issued by the Vicerov appounding that the cultivation of opium will be prohibited in the three Eastern Provinces after next year.

Among the passengers who left for Shanghai by the s.s. Nippon Maru last Saturday was Capt. P. Mitchell Taylor, the popular A D C to H.R. the Governor, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis

IT is reported that Mr. Knike, Japanese Consu General at San Francisco, is to be transferred to Mukden, and that Mr. Hanihara, Second Secretary in the Inpanese Embassy in Washington, will succeed to the post vacated.

His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to Ordinance No 12 of 1908, entitled An Ordinance to provide for the registration of chemists and druggists and to regulate the sale of poisons.

A LARGE wet dock of the Yokohama Dock Company, which had been in course of construction since May 1006, has been completed and is expected to be opened by the middle of next month. This will, it is understood, be the largest dock in Japan.

A VEADIVOSTOK dispatch rep. its that rumous is current there to the effect that the Russian Viceroyalty of the Far East will be re-established. Its jurisdiction will embrace the Amur. Maritime, Kamchatka, and Yaktskeya Provinces, three other districts and Saghallen.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor has been a pleased to appoint Mr. R. O. Hutchison to act as Head of the Sanitary Department, and Mr. THE Russian merchant who was charged with A. E. Wood to act as Assistant Registrar General and Deputy Registrar of Marriages, patriot at Amoy the other day, bringing them to with effect from 74th Nov. until further notice.

THE Tientsin native city now presents an unnsual appearance, all red or gilt signs and inscriptions &c., &c., having been now converted Into blue or white; and the big bell at the yamen and many of the temple bells have been kept tolling for quite a while. No festivities of any kind will be possible for many months.

WITHIN the last two or three weeks American money to the amount of Y600,000 has been exchanged by the Yokohama Specie Bauk, Y500,000 being in gold and the remainder in silver and notes. It is assumed that this sum represents the amount of money spent by the American sailors in Yokohama and Tokyo during the visit of the American Fleet.

Two coolies belonging to a ballast boat were prosecuted in the Police Court, last Monday, for causing an obstruction at Quarry Bay on Saturday, and for assaulting an Indian policeman. The defendants had half of the road blocked with baskets containing stones, and while they were being taken to the station they turned on the police officer, giving him a pretty warm reception. Fined: \$1 for obstruction and \$3 for

THE Japan Chronicle of 17th ulto, says: - On Sunday the new 12,000 ton floating dock of the Mitau Bishi Company at Kobe was to have been launched, but for some reason not yet explained the huge mass of steel and iron refused to take the water, although two steamers were assisting in the attempt to get the dock off the slips. Another attempt was to have been made yesterday afternoon, but we believe It was unsuccessful.

BEYORE the steamer Courtfield (Messrs. Gibb. Livingston & Go., agents) left for Australia last Monday, the skipper ordered a search to be made, which resulted in six Chinamen being found hidden in various parts of the ship. They were handed over to the Water Police, and at the Magistracy on Tuesday were charged with being on board the vessel with the intention of reaching Sydney. They were remanded in police quatody.

A RICKSHA coolie who goes under the name of Choung Chi lost his temper last Tuesday afternoon while receiving a lecture from his employer. He struck the compradore, and then proceeded to demolish his vehicle. He succeeded in. doing \$2 worth of damage only. Brought before a magistrate on Wednesday morning he was fined \$4 and ordered to pay \$5 compensation. The money was not forthcoming when the reporter left the Magistracy.

The annual general meeting of the Kowloon Dock Staff was held in the Reading Room on the 24th ulto, when the following members were elected to office for the ensuing year!-Messrs. Wm. Stewart, chairman, J. C. Gow, secretary, R. Lapsley, Treasurer, R. J. Brown, Librarian, W. J. Crawford, W. Davison, J. Hand, J. Ramsay and J. Tully, Committee. It was also in the employ of Messrs, Levy Hermanos, are agreed to carry on the bi-weekly dances and prosecuting the Jemader and a sergeant of the to hold the usual annual ball on Hogmany Eve.

On the night of the 23rd Nov., a bridge on the Shantung (Tringtao-Tsinanfa) Railway, about twenty-eight kliometers distant from Tsingtao, broke down under the weight of a passing train. There was some loss of life, which is said to be serious. The exact cause of the accident is not yet known. There has also been an accident at a German mine at Hung-shap. Twenty Chinese and one European are reported to have been drowned .- N. C. D.

Two employees of the King Edward Hotel, were in the Police Court on the 2nd inst. to have a dispute properly settled by a proper person, who happened to be the first police magistrate. Chan Su. a coolio, was charged with assaulting Tal Chuk Man, a table "boy," which he denied. It was proved, however, that a quarrel between them led to Chan using his strength on Tal, who, telt the pain. The pugillet was ordered to pay a fine of \$4 and to compensate

SEVERAL failures of minor native banks at Hankow were announced on and ultimo, the total sum involved being not very large,

A BOATMAN in whose possession a drum paint was found by the police, was given fo teen days' on the and instant to think how came into possession, or from whom he ! stolen the stuff.

THE Regent and the members of the Gra Council were simultaneously received audience by the Empress-Dowager (widow the late Emperor Kuang Hall) on the morn! of the 24th ultimo. The proceedings are ke

THE Chinese Engineering and Mining Coi pany, Ld., announce that the total output the Company's three mines for the week ening November 14 amounted to 22,479.76 tor and the sales during the same period 21,141,00 lons.

LI SING, the coolie who was accused of bring ing Wing Wong Kwan, a sixteen-year-old bo into the Colony for the purpose of "selling lik "a pig" to some dealer in the Straits Settle ments, was sentenced to a year's gaol in the Police Court, on the and inst.

THE death is announced at Tientsin of Ja-Pollock McCoy, registered at the American Consulate at Tientsin, who died of pneumoni at Peking on November 14th. He was Pre sident of the United States Asiatic Trading Co with headquarters at Indianapolis.

THE charge against Chol Ming Shek, a cashie of the I On Marine and Fire Insurance Com pany, who was alleged to have embezzled the sum of \$40,000 from his employers, has been withdrawn. The defendant's discharge came about in the Police Court, last Wednesday after-

A Tokto despatch of 27th ult. says :- The Privy Council has approved of the establishment of a Railway Board, as a sequel to the nationalization of Japanese railways. It is expected that Baron Goto (President of the South Manchuria Railway) will be appointed President of the

THE plague is now officially declared as got under at Tongshan, but it is well-known that other cases have broken out in some of the surrounding villages, so that the Sanitary Bureau should still take preventive measures in these isolated pinces, or the disease will soon spread.

IT has been quite usual for private corporations and individuals to apply to the Chinese Government for mining concessions and railway concessions, so the Wai Wu-pu has made a new rule that hereufter no applications of this sort will be received, unless such applications are made through the Foreign Minister.

stealing five cases of cigarettes from a com-Hougkong for sale, was found not guilty of the charge by Mr. J. R. Wood, and was released from custody yesterday afternoon. Mr. E. J. Grist appeared to prosecute. Mr. J. H. Gardiner

THE case in which B. E. Allana, of No. 38, Queen's Road Central, charged R. Rahim, of F. Rahim & Co., 55, l'eel Street, with assault, came to a satisfactory conclusion at the Police Court last Tuesday afternoon, when Mr. G. E. Morrell, who appeared for the defendant, intimated that both parties had agreed to withdraw the charge.

AT a meeting of the Justices of the Peace, held at the Magistracy last Monday afternoon, the application of I. Grueman for a publicants. licence to sell by retail intoxicating liquors at 242 and 24. Queen's Road Central, under the sign of the Central Hotel, was granted. Mr. E. J. Grist (of Messrs, Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the applicant.

SOME more deportees were landed in the Colony yesterday. Sixteen arrived from Saigon by the steamer Lacries, and twenty-four from Singapore. They were turned over to the police to be shipped to their respective homes. One of the deportees from Saigon was in very bad condition, caused through ill-health, and had to be carried ashore.

A LAD named Lau Yau, nineteen years of age, was convicted in the Police Court, yesterday, and sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour for being a rogue and vagabond. Lau was discovered at about five o'clock yesterday morning on the staircase of 73, Queen's Road Central, Lau admitted that he was out of work and had no place of abode, but denied that he was there

ONE of the largest gatherings, perhaps, the largest seen in the Supreme Court for some time, assembled there yesterday morning. Every soat in the place was occupied and there was little standing room. On making inquiries we learnt that the crowd was there to hear the habeas corpus proceedings in which the Editor of the Sheung Po was concerned. These proceedings were, however, abandoned on Thursday on the release of the journalist; but this was not known to certain classes of the native community. 4.5

THE prosecution brought by the police against the coolie Ho Cheung and Messrs. Hastings and Hastings' shroff (Chan Chick Yes) for being in unlawful possession of three cheques helonging to the Dairy Farm Company, was cor cluded in the Police Court last Tuesday afternoon. It will be remembered Detective Sergeant Appleton found the lost cheques in Ho Chaung's possession, and it was alleged that Chan Chick Yes had attempted to dispose of them for a reward. The magistrate (Mr. J. R. Wood) discharged the case.

Two summonses which are expected to have very interesting results were adjourned at the Police Court, yesterday. The first one was that in which Phaga Singh, a watchman of Salt Fish Lane, and Khair Singh, also a watchman Police-Force and three Indian watchmen of the Opium Farm for committing an assault on them at Ma Tale Chung on the 29th ulto. Tee second summons was brought by Khai Singh and Hira Singh against four others for a similar offence. Solicitors are engaged on both sides. The next hearing will take place on

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